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New Billing Procedure, Property Reevaluation, Approved by Borough

Last Tuesday Borough Council approved a new capital billing and payment procedure drawn up by administrators to address monies owed to the Borough by the Township and vice versa.

The October 1 meeting saw a debate ignited by a bond ordinance authorizing \$1.3 million for joint capital improvements between the Borough and Township. Back dues between the two municipalities came up in the heated discussion, with Council member Roger Martindell insisting that a written procedure ensuring timely billing and payment be drawn up.

The Township currently owes the Borough \$3.8 million, according to Borough documents. This number does not subtract out the monies that the Borough owes the Township.

Council member Andrew Koontz pointed out that the \$1.6 million owed for capital projects from 2007 was billed on September 8 of this year, and that over \$700,000 from capital projects from 2008 has yet to be billed.

"The most significant concern is money from 2006, which we haven't addressed yet," Mr. Koontz noted, referencing the million dollars billed in December 2007 that have yet to be paid.

Saying that he approves of "the administrative procedure outlined here," Mr. Koontz added that it was "not necessary to have an ordinance" about the billing and payment procedure.

By contrast, Mr. Martindell suggested an interlocal agreement to solidify the procedure. "It works both ways, it's fair, it's professional," he remarked, saying that they will be "looking for monies going forward" as opposed to applying the procedure retroactively to past due bills.

Regarding the debt, Mr. Martindell said that "through 2007, the Township owes us a net of a million dollars," adding that "at four percent a year, that's \$100,000 we've funded for the township's benefit and we've gotten nothing for it."

For the first time in 12 years, properties in the Borough will be reevaluated. Council awarded the contract for the reevaluation to Appraisal Systems, which will work in both the Borough and Township over the end of this year and next year to inspect properties, said Borough and Township Tax Assessor Neal Snyder in a phone interview.

The interior and exterior inspections will

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Nobel Prize Winner Meets the Press

Economics Professor and 2008 Nobel Prize winner for Economics Paul Krugman shook his head in wonder as Princeton University President Shirley M. Tilghman spoke at the beginning of a press conference for him on Monday at the Woodrow Wilson School of International Affairs.

Questions at Monday's press conference, which included ones phoned-in by journalists abroad, focused on the current economic crisis and the coming Presidential election. Mr. Krugman, who is also a regular New York Times columnist and frequent television and radio commentator, was quick to say "no" when asked if he would accept a cabinet appointment in the new Presidential administration that will take over in January. "I say the wrong things," commented the outspoken critic of the Bush administration, amid much laughter. He earlier referred to the University as "home," and "ultimately who I am."

"This is a very exciting day for Professor Krugman," said Ms. Tilghman, suggesting that the upswing in the day's market was, perhaps, an acknowledgment of Mr. Krugman's "long, distinguished career."

In her own opening words, Woodrow Wilson School Dean Anne-Marie Slaughter (who identified herself as "Paul Krugman's dean") called him a "boundary crosser," who has combined "Nobel-quality"

theoretical work with his role as a public intellectual who has tried to educate "as wide an audience as he can," while producing "noted textbooks that introduce students to the study of economics."

When Mr. Krugman first took the stage, it was to express amazement at winning the prize, and to thank the teachers and colleagues who helped him along the way. "There's something awkward about having an individual got the prize," he observed. "I ought to be sharing it with all the others who made it possible."

His story of receiving the news of the prize was classic: he took the call "stark naked" just before getting into the shower,

and, hearing an "obviously fake Swedish accent," assumed it was a joke. The prize committee cited Mr. Krugman, 55, for his "analysis of trade patterns and location of economic activity," and at the press conference he thanked them for "recognizing this 30-year old field."

"Beginning in 1979," noted the University's press release on Mr. Krugman's award, "Krugman proposed a new model that provided a theory for the effects of globalization and free trade. It offered a better explanation than the well-established theory of foreign trade that certain countries have a comparative advantage over

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Local Merchants Remain Optimistic In Face of National Economic Crisis

"When Wall Street sneezes, the rest of us catch a cold," said David Newton, vice president of Palmor Square Management. Despite fears of national economic collapse, local merchants are "putting up a united front to a very challenging situation," he said.

Perhaps it is too early to anticipate how the downturn in the global economic landscape will affect business on the local level, but for now, Princeton business owners are monitoring the situation while maintaining an optimistic outlook.

"One has to be upbeat, and we have to muddle through as best we can," Mr. Newton explained, while acknowledging that it is "hard to tell if people are buying or not, but a lot of people are certainly mulling around in the stores."

As far as the overall economic health of Princeton, Mr. Newton called its "diverse economy" a positive attribute. "The pharmaceutical industry, like Johnson and Johnson and Bristol-Myers Squibb,

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MEDIA EVENT: Monday's press conference for Nobel Prize-winning economist (shown here with Princeton University President Shirley Tilghman) drew swarms of photographers and reporters to Robertson Auditorium at the Woodrow Wilson School for International Affairs.

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SKATE PARK COMING SOON: The Princeton Parks Alliance headed by Borough Councilman Andrew Koontz (left) recently donated \$5,000 to the Princeton Recreation Department for additional landscaping and greening of the new skateboarding park that is under construction at Hilltop Park. Ben Stentz, program supervisor at the Recreation Department, also pictured above, said that the drainage issues in the space have been resolved and construction of the skate surfaces is underway.

(Photo by D. ...)

Parks Alliance Awards \$5,000 For Skate Park Beautification

The Princeton Parks Alliance, a non-profit parks conservancy, awarded \$5,000 to the Princeton Recreation Department last Wednesday for additional landscaping at the new skate park being built at Hilltop Park.

The skateboarding facility will provide local skaters with a site on which to express their four-wheeled prowess. Former skateboarder and current program supervisor at the Princeton Recreation Department Ben Stentz hopes to have the park open by the end of 2008.

"that the kids will not only use the park, but also take ownership of it."

After much deliberation and consultation with other municipalities across the country that have formal spaces for skateboarding, the Recreation Department decided to allow the skate park to be unsupervised in order to make the facility free to the users, according to Mr. Stentz.

Borough Council member and President of the Parks Alliance Andrew Koontz said that the site would serve a dual purpose. It will be "a recreational opportunity for kids who are skateboarders," but will also be "a relief from skateboarding activity in places like Hinds Plaza."

Elaborating on the nature of the county grant, Mr. Koontz explained that its purpose was to "fill a need that wasn't being met" and was "specifically targeted to provide recreational opportunities to kids who fell through the cracks," namely, those engaged in passive recreation as opposed to participating in team sports.

"The grant program was very forward thinking, because it encouraged communities to cooperate," said Mr. Koontz. The Borough and Township governing bodies worked together with the Recreation Department and the Parks Alliance to secure the initial grant.

The gift from the Parks

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TOPICS Of the Town

After a decade of discussion about a space for skateboarding, Mr. Stentz said that a recent county grant called "Mercer At Play" finally enabled its development. He subsequently consulted with hundreds of municipalities, skate park construction crews, and experts in order to determine how the facility in Princeton should be built.

"This is going to be all concrete, which is relatively unique for the East Coast," Mr. Stentz said of the material used to create the skateboarding surfaces. A construction crew from California Skate Parks, which specializes in such recreational facilities, was laying some of the interior shapes on the site last Wednesday. "They refer to getting the transition areas right as an art form," Mr. Stentz noted.

"I was a skateboarder, and where to skate was always an issue for kids," Mr. Stentz said, adding that he hopes

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Skate Park

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Alliance to the Recreation Department to enhance the landscape around the skate park will allow "parents to come and enjoy themselves while their children are skating," said Mr. Koontz. "Bringing a bit of park to the skate park is a good idea."

"This has real potential to be a healthy gathering spot," envisioned Mr. Koontz, adding, "I'm looking forward to seeing it open."

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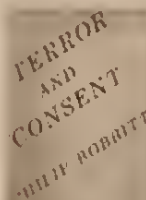
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New Medical Center in Plainsboro Will Feature Purposeful Design

The new University Medical Center of Princeton at Plainsboro (UMCPP) recently broke ground for its new building, which is slated to open in 2011. The new hospital is 2.5 miles away from its current location in Princeton, and will be located on Route One between Scuders Mill Road and Plainsboro Road.

President and CEO of the Princeton HealthCare System Barry Rabner noted that discussions about the new hospital emerged out of a strategic plan five years ago, for which input was sought from physicians, elected officials, and the public. They discovered that they had to build a hospital, and after much deliberation, decided on relocating to a new site, Mr. Rabner acknowledged.

Having narrowed the field down to 18 different potential locations for the new hospital, Mr. Rabner and others spent a year evaluating the various sites before deciding on the one in Plainsboro. Describing the 150-acre plot of land as "at first a concern for us," because the hospital was thought to only need 50 acres, Mr. Rabner said "as we studied it, we realized it created a terrific opportunity for a healthcare village."

"We started thinking about where the synergies lie, and where the demand exists, and from that grew the concept of the healthcare village," explained Mr. Rabner. The community of medical establishments at that site will include the hospital, a long-term care facility, medical offices, a fitness and wellness center, an education center, a pediatric unit, and other amenities.

The medical center "will be among the most comprehensive in the country, and we have the rare opportunity to build on a green field, so services that ought to be close to each other can be, and we can be more efficient," envisioned Mr. Rabner.

The purposefully designed space will make overall operation smoother, according to Mr. Rabner, who said that they "established a series of guiding principles — to design a building that would reduce errors and infection, enhance privacy, improve operating efficiency, and improve clinical outcomes — in every decision we made, we had to satisfy one or more of those guiding principles."

Project Manager Phil Toussaint, who is the associate principal at RMJM Hillier, described some of the amenities of the new hospital building, which features green design and state-of-the-art capabilities. "The building is oriented to take advantage of natural light, since it improves recovery time," he said, adding that the "large, energy-efficient south wall directs sunlight and blocks heat gain."

"Wayfinding" through the hospital should be much improved, and "very obvious," according to Mr. Toussaint, who elaborated upon specific "portals of care" targeted toward patient needs. "It's going to be a much more personalized service," he said.

"The natural setting is extraordinary," said Mr. Toussaint. The hospital will be located along the Millstone River, and will feature natural landscaping and indigenous plant species.

As for the inside of the space, patient safety and privacy are highlighted, with 238 private rooms, and 100 percent energy-efficient fresh air circulation in "critical clinical areas" to reduce infection, reported Mr. Toussaint.

Patient rooms will be "same-handed," meaning that they all will face the same direction in order to reduce stall errors, and allow beds to be placed along the same wall as the bathroom, so patients never need to let go of a handrail to access the toilet, thereby reducing patient falls, said Mr. Toussaint.

Mr. Rabner also elaborated upon the technological amenities of the new space. Operating theaters will be designed to accommodate robotics, and the systems in the rooms will be voice-controlled so that surgeons

can verbally request data, and change temperature and lighting.

"When an employee enters a patient's room, their ID badge is a transducer, so their picture and a brief bio will be projected onto a screen by way of introduction," Mr. Rabner said, adding that "the lights over the sink by the door will flash to remind them to wash their hands," which will also reduce human error and prevent the transmission of infections.

"The medical records will all be electronic, and the images will be digital so that results can be quickly communicated to the physician who ordered it," Mr. Rabner remarked, "Or, the data can be called up on a screen in a patient's room, and if there's an expert somewhere else in the country, we can send it over for them to look at it."

Regarding demand for services, Mr. Rabner said that the new location is closer to 70 percent of the people that the current hospital serves, and that the new hospital will focus on "those services that we could do as well as or better than anyone else" in the region. For example, "the orthopedic program and the maternity program are in the top five percent of those in the US, but we don't do transplants, burns, or trauma since others do, and do it well," he said, noting that the goal is to always connect patients with the care they need in a safe and efficient manner.

—Dilshan Perera

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lead to new assessed values, and new rates on property tax bills by February 2010, according to Mr. Snyder, who foresees a redistribution of taxes in which one third of property taxes will increase, a third will stay the same, and a third will decrease.

"We're not looking for more money," Mr. Snyder said, pointing out that the assessment will "take a snapshot of the values" and redistribute taxes accordingly.

During the meeting, Council member David Goldfarb asked about the proposed timetable for evaluations, and requested that Mr. Snyder come in to report on the assessment and the process.

"Residents deserve a complete explanation," agreed Mr. Koontz.

"Two thousand nine will be a tough year," said Mr. Martindell in reference to taxes. "We need to be very judicious, and more forward-thinking," he said, observing that the more steps that Council takes to reduce taxes next year, "the better off everyone is going to be."

—Dilshanie Perera

Births

18 Births Reported At Princeton Hospital

The Princeton HealthCare System has reported 18 births the week of October 2, 2008.

Daughters were born to Merlyn Regalado and Mario Villatoro, Princeton, October 2; Anne Karine and Luc Armanet, Lawrenceville, October 2; Jenny and Robert Davis, Princeton Junction, October 5; Rosy and Sagar Munsal, Princeton, October 7; Judith and Samuel Kutin, Princeton, October 9; Jennifer and Brian Moog, Lawrenceville, October 9; Swetal and Virat Shah, Lawrenceville, October 11.

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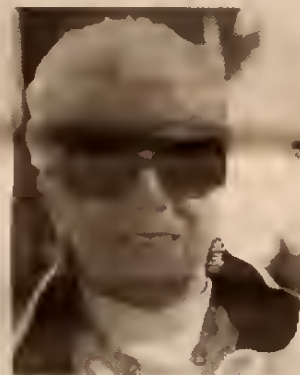
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—William Drees, Ross Stevenson Circle



"Oh yes, of course. I'm not spending anything anymore, just the basic stuff that we have to do and cutting expenses. I don't go to the Mall because I don't want to see things that would be tempting to buy. Money has been lost in investments since this has started so we have to be more careful."

—Nenca Smukler, Lawrenceville



"In all honesty, it hasn't. We are retired and we had planned our retirement and settled our financial future so to speak. We built-in for ups and downs and it has not affected us."

—Warren Brooks, South Monmouth Junction



"Not necessarily because I spend frugally. However, it does make you conscious about how you should spend."

—Reginald Wright, Leigh Avenue

Candidates Miller and Nemeth Share Concerns about Township

Democrats Bernie Miller and Sue Nemeth, who are both running unopposed for Princeton Township Committee seats, share many of the same concerns. In a recent interview they pointed out that while they are not running a "joint" campaign, their advertisements highlight common objectives. Ms. Nemeth, who moved here in 2000, is quick to enumerate three of their main goals: "Keeping Princeton affordable, promoting sustainability, and full municipal consolidation." Their interest in sustainability extends to existing facilities, not just new ones, and keeping Princeton affordable means "keeping a lid

on expenses" and creating a "long-term framework."

"It's a different environment now than last spring when we declared our candidacy," observed Mr. Miller, who has lived in Princeton since 1959 and is running for his third term. "We're now facing the possibility of cuts in state aid and reduced Township funding. We need to look at how and where we spend." In lieu of increased taxes, he and first-time candidate Ms. Nemeth are interested in finding alternative sources of revenue, particularly in the form of payments from local non-profits that don't pay taxes. Mr. Miller noted

the presence of a number of non-profits in the area including, of course the University, which has made payments to the Borough, but not the Township. The two candidates suggested that such payments may be in order for the Township as well, in light of prospective University development there.

Backgrounds

Ms. Nemeth is director of development and public relations specialist at the Center for American Women and Politics, a unit of the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. She serves as Township District One Committeewoman on the Mercer County Democratic Committee, and as an at-large member of the Executive Board of the Princeton Community Democratic Organization. She is a former member of the Board of Trustees of the Princeton Education Foundation.

An aeronautical engineer, Mr. Miller was a member of the core group that founded the RCA Aerospace Division, and was part of the team that developed the first meteorological satellite that was successfully launched in 1960. Mr. Miller subsequently led the team that developed the successful Ranger lunar probe that took the first close up picture of the moon. He received the NASA Public Service Award for his leadership in the Ranger program. In the 1970s he was a member of the team that studied the feasibility of the initiative to consolidate Princeton Borough and Township, and worked on the economics of consolidation. In the 1980s he was

a member of the Princeton Township Housing Board, and later a member of the Joint Cable TV Committee. As Chair of the Cable TV Committee he led the team that negotiated the new cable TV franchise with Patriot Media. In 2002 he was appointed to Township Committee to fill the unexpired term of Committeeman Steve Frakt, and was elected to a full three-year term in the general election in November 2002, re-elected in 2005, and has served as Deputy Mayor since 2004.

Valley Road

Building and Pool?

Mr. Miller, who had the opportunity to experience 95 degree summer temperatures inside the Valley Road Building before

Township Hall was completed, is sympathetic to the Princeton Regional School's desire to "get rid of paying the costs on the old part of the building." As the Township Committee's liaison to TV 30, which is housed in the building, he is hopeful that the site will remain community-oriented, although he acknowledges that "ultimately, the decision about what happens is the School's." Ms. Nemeth agreed that the "ball is in the School's court," but also expressed the hope that even as a "mixed-use" facility, its functions would be "compatible with education."

Noting that his grandchildren now enjoy the same pool his children grew up with, Mr. Miller observed that the pool complex "is

part of the glue that holds the community together." While worrying that the images of prospective "water parks" shown at recent public meetings to discuss the future of the pool may have been "misleading," both he and Ms. Nemeth laud the Recreation Department's efforts to update the aging facility and ensure that it will remain open in coming seasons.

While not directly commenting on Princeton Future's recent endorsement of the creation of new governing groups (like a parking authority) to expedite the solution of various local problems, Mr. Miller said that he regularly attends the group's meetings and thinks it's "great that people are talking."

—Ellen Gilbert

Topics In Brief A Community Bulletin

The **Borough Merchants for Princeton** will present "Guarding Your Business Against Shoplifting and Credit Card Fraud" on Tuesday, October 21, at the Nassau Inn. Networking will begin at 6:15 p.m. The presentation featuring Detective Adam Basatemur and Detective Courtney Heller of the Princeton Borough Police Department

and Ken Haag of Heartland Payment Systems will begin at 6:30 p.m. This meeting is free and open to non-members. RSVP at <http://boroughmerchantsforprinceton.org> or call 609.921.0434.

The **Princeton Recreation Department** will continue discussions about proposed **Community Park Pool** renovations on Tuesday, October 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Princeton Township municipal building.

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Osamu Shimomura, who was a researcher in Princeton University's Biology Department from 1960 to 1982, was recently named a winner of the 2008 Nobel Prize in chemistry for his work on the green fluorescent protein (GFP) in jellyfish. The protein is a key tool in contemporary bioscience, and was discovered by Mr. Shimomura in his lab at Princeton in 1961.

Scientists now use GFP to track processes inside individual cells. Because it can attach itself to individual proteins, GFP is used as a "tag," which allows scientists to track cellular processes under a microscope. It can illuminate growing cancer tumors, pinpoint the development of Alzheimer's disease in the brain, and spotlight the growth of deadly bacteria.

"I don't think we do a thing in my lab that doesn't have GFP tagged at one end of the project or other," said Edward Cox, the Edwin Grant Conklin Professor of Biology at Princeton, who applauded Mr. Shimomura's work and contributions to science. "In cell and developmental biology, half of all papers published in the past 10 years use GFP or one of its derivatives," he said, adding that "it would be rare to find a paper now that didn't use GFP to make a point."

Princeton in the 1950s was a hotbed of research on bioluminescence due to the work of Edmund Newton Harvey, who had gained worldwide fame for his studies of fireflies and his interest in naturally produced glows in bacteria, fish, and jellyfish. Harvey called it "living light."

Mr. Shimomura's task at Princeton was to study the jellyfish *Aequorea victoria*, whose outer edge glows green when the jellyfish is agitated. Having gathered the jellyfish during the summer of 1961 in Puget Sound, Mr. Shimomura took back material from about 10,000 jellyfish to Princeton, where he encountered a problem: if the jellyfish were crushed and prompted to glow, the substance that started the reaction would disappear.

How could the researchers extract a substance from the material without crushing it first? "It was a very difficult thing," Mr. Shimomura reminisced, saying "I managed to extract the substance after about one week or 10 days of very hard thinking. It was one of the hardest things I ever did."

It took Mr. Shimomura's team months to purify just a few drops of the blue luminescent material from the liquid. The researchers named this protein aequorin. They also isolated a second protein that was slightly greenish in sunlight,

yellowish in the light from a light bulb and fluorescent green in ultraviolet light. At the time, they called it the green protein, but it eventually came to be called the green fluorescent protein.

Mr. Shimomura shares the Nobel Prize with Martin Chalfie of Columbia University, who demonstrated the value of GFP as a luminous genetic tag for various biological phenomena, and Roger Tsien of the University of California-San Diego, who contributed to the general understanding of how GFP glows. His work allows researchers to give various proteins and cells different colors in order to track several biological processes at once.

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others in more effectively producing particular goods based on their supplies of natural resources, labor or capital."

Referring to decisions that came out of a Monday summit meeting of economic leaders from Europe and the U.S., Mr. Krugman noted that it was the "first day that policy-makers exceeded expectations," and that he was finally feeling more "optimistic" about the economy. "I think we're intellectually starting to get a grip on this thing," he commented, adding that financial control was, however, not yet evident. Asked whether deregulation was to blame for the economic downturn, he suggested that it wasn't what people "did," but rather what they "didn't do" that created the problem, suggesting

that a financial system had evolved around an existing framework that didn't "keep up with it." As for whether or not those responsible for the crisis would be held legally accountable, he acknowledged the "grotesque greed" that lay beneath the crisis, but noted that "greed isn't illegal," so punishment was unlikely.

Referring to the two Presidential candidates, Mr. Krugman cited Senator Obama's belief in market regulation as closest to his own. Asked whether the Nobel Committee had taken an anti-Bush stance in giving out awards this year, Mr. Krugman said that he thought not. The prizes, he observed, are usually "given to a lot of intellectuals, and a lot of intellectuals are anti-Bush."

—Ellen Gilbert

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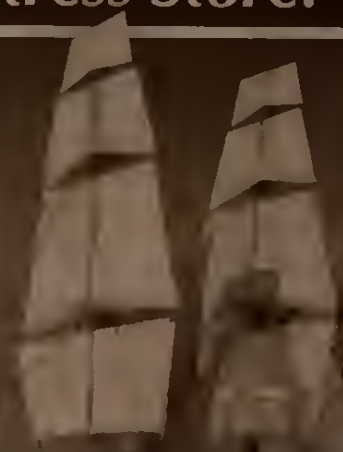
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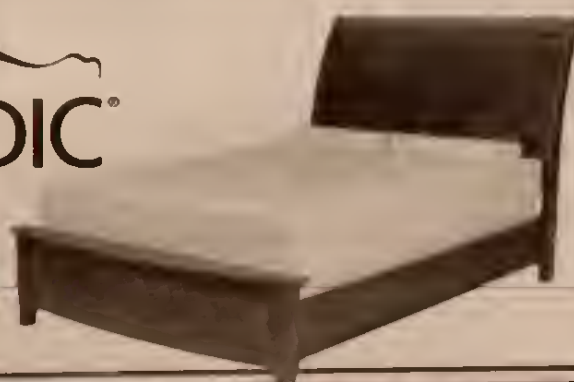
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by Dante Mazzocco, Whole Earth customer

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6 tbslp of butter or 3 each of butter and extra virgin olive oil
1 medium red onion, thinly sliced
1 large leek (white only), thinly sliced
1 medium fennel bulb, trimmed, halved, thinly sliced
1 cup rough chopped arugula or spinach (or a combination of both)
3-4 chard leaves, stems and thick ribs removed, chopped
5 large eggs
½ cup cream
1 tablespoon each of rough chopped parsley, oregano, mint
Salt and pepper, to taste



Preheat oven to 350°F, setting one rack 4 to 5 inches below the broiler.

Heat 3 tablespoons of butter and/or oil in an 11 to 12-inch oven-proof non-stick sauté pan over medium heat. Add onion, leek, and fennel and cook until tender, stirring frequently. Add greens, mix well to combine, and cook until tender, about 10-12 minutes. Set pan aside to cool.

In a work bowl, beat together eggs, cream, herbs, and salt and pepper. Add cooled vegetable mixture, mixing to combine. Wipe sauté pan clean and return to the stovetop over medium heat. Add remaining butter and/or oil and swirl to coat bottom and sides of pan. When pan is heated, pour in egg mixture, spreading evenly by shaking pan gently. Run a spatula around the perimeter. Cook until the sides and bottom are set, but the center is still somewhat liquid. Place sauté pan on lower oven rack and bake until the entire frittata is set, about 10-12 minutes. Turn on broiler. Move to preset broiler rack and cook a few minutes to set the top.

Remove pan and let cool slightly. Run a spatula around the perimeter. Shake slightly and slide the finished frittata onto a large flat plate. Cut into wedges and serve warm or at room temperature. The frittata can be a main course accompanied by a salad, bread and cheese, or as one component of an all-vegetable menu, or included as part of an antipasto.

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The conference was initiated by Desaix Anderson '58, who opened the U.S. embassy in Hanoi after "normalization of our relations;" Raymond Bughardt, Indochina Capital Corporation and former U.S. ambassador to Vietnam; Un-Chan Chung, President Emeritus, Seoul National University; Regina Abrami, Harvard Business School, and James Riedel, Johns Hopkins University, among others.

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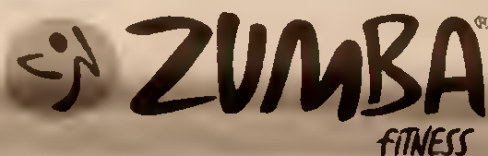
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appears to be holding its own, and the University is always an emblem of stability," he said.

Palmer Square itself is "reasonably full with the list of tenants," Mr. Newton remarked, adding that "nobody who has been talking to us about space has pulled out, so we remain hopeful."

Characterizing Princeton as a place that isn't "into conspicuous consumption," Mr. Newton said that approach offers "a little bit of protection from the broader economy, since things rarely go up as high, or down as low."

President of the Borough Merchants for Princeton Kathie Morolda, who also owns the Cranbury Station Gallery, said that she has requested feedback from local merchants about whether they have seen decreased sales, and about their perceptions of the economy.

"Everyone is cautiously optimistic," Ms. Morolda explained, adding that the past week was quiet, owing to the school holidays in part, and because "it is not a particularly busy time right now anyway." The economic barometer could be determined more accurately once "holiday shopping starts to occur in a few weeks," Ms. Morolda suggested.

As for the nature of local business in Princeton, Ms. Morolda emphasized that the town is very supportive of local merchants, and that the relationship is mutually beneficial.

Both Ms. Morolda and Mr. Newton noted that businesses in Palmer Square and downtown would be open until 9 p.m. during the holiday season to allow for more exposure, and increased convenience for shoppers. "There is a lot of activity late at night, and with respect to the gallery, a

lot of people browse around after dinner, and they may never have come into the store had I not been open then," said Ms. Morolda of her own business.

Interim President and CEO of the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Adam Perle agreed that business leaders are generally optimistic about the situation, adding that "the two things that the area definitely has going for it are the diversity of its population, with strong business leaders and business owners operating at the highest level, and the really strong educational institutions in the area including Princeton University, Rider University, the College of New Jersey, Mercer County Community College, and others. This will allow the Princeton Region to ride the wave better," he said.

Summing up his own outlook on Princeton's economic prospects, Mr. Newton said, "If you look at our town like a tree, it has beauty in one sense, with all of the different branches, but when the storm comes, stability is really a function of how deep its roots are, and in the case of Princeton, its roots are quite deep."

—Dilshan Perera

Judith Wilson Sends Letter to PRSD Families

Princeton Regional School District Superintendent Judith Wilson recently sent the following letter to PRSD families and staff:

"As many of you have heard, we are about to enter a long period of demolition and replacement of the Stony Brook Bridge on Rosedale Road. Over the last few weeks, district staff members have met with municipal and county representatives to gather information on the closure of Rosedale Road and to plan for transportation of students who will be impacted by the closure. The facts as we know them thus far are:

In the short-term, the bridge is not secure for use by large school buses. Therefore, parents of children who are already bussed on a route that used to cross Stony Brook have been notified if their children now need to be picked up earlier in order to take a longer route to school. Some other routes were changed to better accommodate all students and some smaller buses that can cross the bridge safely are being employed.

However, the bridge will close to ALL traffic on Rosedale Road after the county awards the bid for the work and construction begins sometime between late November and early January. At that time, it is expected that the road will be closed at the bridge for more than six months. This will necessitate several changes in bus routes, additional students will be eligible for bussing and there will be longer routes to JP, JW and PHS for many students. The district is already planning for those changes with the goal of having all arrangements operational a week prior to the closing of the bridge. If your student is affected by any change in bussing arrangements, you will receive a separate notice of that change.

This will also require changes in commuting routes for employees and will force more traffic onto Province Line Road and Carter Road ... allow extra time! Hopefully after all commuters in and out of town make adjustments to their routes and travel times the traffic and the morning rush hour, especially, will settle into a new rhythm.

Watch the school website for additional information in November and December.

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Wednesday, October 15

10 a.m.: First of four "This I Believe" programs for adults 55+, hosted by Keith Wheelock; Princeton Public Library.

4:30 p.m.: Readings by Marie Howe and Brigit Pegeen Kelly; Stewart Theater, Lewis Center for the Arts, 185 Nassau Street.

4:30 p.m.: Symposium on War on Terror with Philip Bobbitt, author of *Terror and Consent: The Wors for the Twenty-first Century*; Anne Marie Slaught, dean of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs; and Professor of Sociology and Public Affairs Kim Lane Scheppele; Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall, Princeton University.

7:30 p.m.: Thinking Allowed Series talk by Bee Wilson, author of *Swindled*, a history of food fraud; Princeton Public Library. Free.

7:30 p.m.: Talley's Folly; McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers; Suzanne Patterson Center.

Thursday, October 16

9:30 to 11:30 a.m.: Admission Open House; Princeton Junior School. Also Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.: Westminster

Conservatory at Nassau concert with jazz pianist Tara Buzash and vocalist Jean Marie Whaley; Niles Chapel, Nassau Presbyterian Church. Free.

4 p.m.: Great American Book Drive; Princeton Public Library.

6 to 10 p.m.: Autumn Culinaire 2008, annual Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mercer County food, wine, and beer tasting fund-raiser; Greenacres Country Club, 2170 Lawrenceville Road, Lawrenceville.

7 p.m.: Book discussion with Manuel Rivas, author of *El llopis del carpinterol*; Princeton Public Library. Free.

7 p.m.: Book discussion with Cool Woman Poet Joyce Lott, author of *An Unexpected Life*; Mary Jacobs Library, 64 Washington Street, Rocky Hill.

7:30 p.m.: Alborada Spanish Dance Theatre and Arts Council of Princeton presentation of *Lo Petenero — The Sephardic Connection*; Performing Arts Center, Princeton High School.

8 p.m.: *Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends*; Hamilton Murray Theater, Murray-Dodge Hall, Princeton University. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Amezidi*; Matthews Acting Studio, Lewis Center for the Arts, 185 Nassau Street. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Festival Strings Lucerne, directed by Mark Laycock; Princeton University Chapel.

8 p.m.: Camerata Salzburg Chamber Orchestra,

with violin soloist Anne Sophie Mutter; State Theater, New Brunswick.

Friday, October 17

11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.: Annual Friends of the YWCA Princeton Luncheon, with guest speaker Nancy Marie Robertson, author of *Christian Sisterhood, Race Relations, and the YWCA, 1906-46*; Cherry Valley Country Club, Skillman.

4:30 p.m.: Lecture by Oona Frawley, "Ireland and Cultural Memory"; Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

7 p.m.: Ken Lelen Trio; Cranbury School, North Main Street, Cranbury. Free.

7 to 11 p.m.: "Corner of Chaos" Haunted Corn Maze; Corner-Copia Nursery and Garden Center, 299 Princeton-Hightstown Road (Route 571), East Windsor. Also Saturday from 7 to 11 p.m., Sunday from 7 to 10 p.m.

7:30 p.m.: Symposium on Haydn's *The Creation* led by Princeton Pro Musica director Frances Fowler Slade; Princeton Public Library.

7:30 p.m.: Jazz pianist Eldar and his trio; Berlind Theatre.

7:30 p.m.: Jimmy Carroll and Al Caz; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Princeton Hyatt Regency, Route 1. Also Saturday at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Domes of Sea*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Concert with singer Lucy Kaplansky; Grounds For Sculpture, Hamilton.

8:15 p.m.: Princeton Folk Music Society concert with Jeff Warner; Christ Congregation Church, 50 Walnut Lane.

10 p.m.: Late Night Series (poetry, spoken word, drama, dance, live music, comedy, video); Studio Theatre, Mercer County Community College, West Windsor. Free.

Saturday, October 18

Noon to 4 p.m.: Fall Harvest Festival featuring country and bluegrass music by Eco Del Sur; Terhune Orchards, 330 Cold Soil Road.

5:30 p.m.: Arts Council of Princeton fund-raiser, "Dining by Design"; Paul Robeson Center for the Arts.

6:30 p.m.: Karen Zumburn Trio; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

7 p.m.: Salon 33 Pot Luck Dinner and Concert of folk songs and love songs with baritone Robert Bullington, violinist Ann Marie Poklembo, cellist Liz Thompson, and pianists Beth Ertz and Dick Swain; Looking Glass Pond, 800 Alexander Road, Princeton Junction. For reservations, call Rob Taunen at (609) 720-0098.

7:30 (sold out) and 10 p.m.: Christine Ebersole; Berlind Theatre.

Sunday, October 19

Noon to 5:30 p.m.: Fourth Annual Festival of the Guild of Early Music, featuring Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque era music; Grounds For Sculpture, Hamilton.

Noon to 4 p.m.: Fall Harvest Festival featuring country and bluegrass music by Mountain Heritage; Terhune Orchards, 330 Cold Soil Road.

1 to 3 p.m.: Open House; Lewis School of Princeton, 53 Bayard Lane.

1 to 4 p.m.: Screening of HBO drama *Iron Jawed Angels: The Suffragette Movement*; The Contemporary Victorian Museum, 176 West State Street, Trenton. Free. For reservations or information call (609) 883-2709 or (609) 392-9727.

3 p.m.: Dryden Ensemble concert, Johann Sebastian Bach; Miller Chapel, Princeton Theological Seminary.

3 p.m.: Screening of *Lezioni di Cioccolato* (Chocolate Lessons); Dorothea's House, 120 John Street. Free.

3 p.m.: Organ recital; St. Paul's Church, Nassau Street. Free.

3 p.m.: Book discussion and signing with James M. McPherson, author of *Tried by War: Abraham Lincoln as Commander-in-Chief*; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair Mall.

Monday, October 20

6 p.m.: Film Italian Style Series screening of *Sedotto e Abbandonato* (Seduced and Abandoned); Princeton Public Library. Free.

6:30 p.m.: Mercer County First Time Homebuyer Program; Mercer County Library, 2751 Brunswick Pike, Lawrenceville.

7 p.m.: Township Committee; Township Municipal Complex.

Tuesday, October 21

4:30 p.m.: Woodrow Wilson School panel discussion, "Human Evidence: The War in Iraq"; Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall, Princeton University.

5 p.m.: Conversation about the interrelationships between the visual and performing arts with Princeton Singers artistic director Steven Sametz and choreographer Myra Bazell; Paul Robeson Center for the Arts. Free.

5:30 p.m.: Princeton Public Library Board of Trustees; Princeton Public Library.

6:30 p.m.: Darla Rich Jazz Trio; Witherspoon Grill, 57 Witherspoon Street.

8 p.m.: Composers' Ensemble performances by Meelian/Perkins Percussion Duo, Dither Electric Guitar Quartet, and flutist Margaret Lancaster; Taplin Auditorium, Fine Hall. Free.

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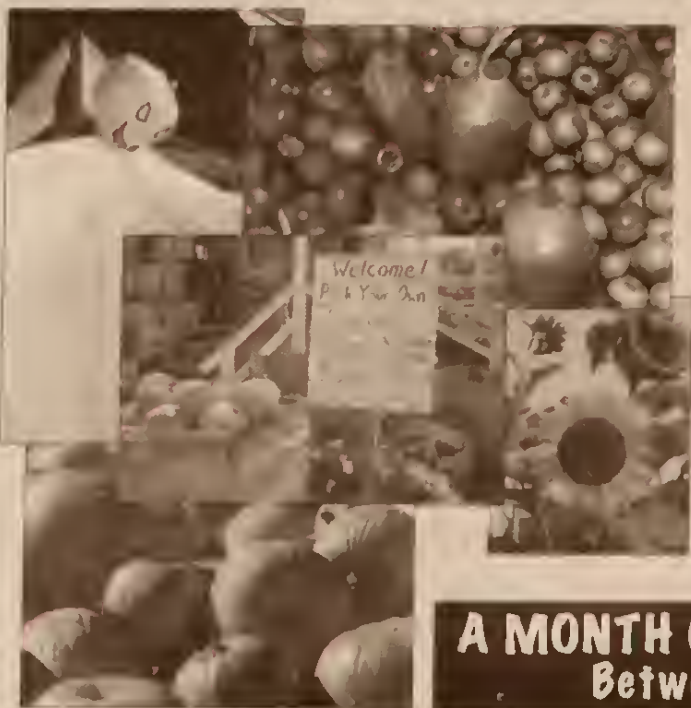
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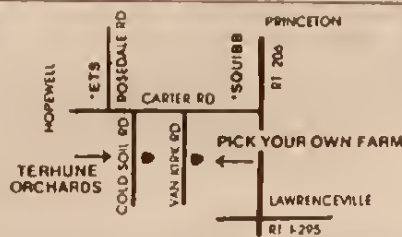


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Planning Board Urged to Deny Proposal To Demolish Historic Speer Library

To the Editor:

Historic Princeton has a heritage and a beauty of which we all can be proud. To its great credit, the Borough has a broad consensus with residents through the Master Plan that this heritage is worth preserving and enhancing.

And so it is with shock and dismay that we learn of an ill-informed concept to demolish Speer Library, a fine historic building in the heart of the Mercer Hill Historic District.

Bulldozing our heritage is a bad idea of historic proportions and should be strongly opposed by citizens and city representatives alike.

Speer Library is located at the intersection of Mercer Street and Library Place. This important historic site is included in the Princeton Historic District, which is listed on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places (1973) and the National Register of Historic Places (1975). In 1985, Princeton Borough created the Mercer Hill Historic District Overlay in an effort to strengthen protection of this area, and Speer Library rests proudly in the center of it.

Speer Library contributes to our town's historic heritage in many ways. It is the only Collegiate Gothic style building in the Mercer Hill Historic District. The district contains outstanding examples of architectural styles as diverse as the origins of our state. Built in 1956, it is a smaller version of Princeton University's Firestone Library, built in 1948. The same architects of Firestone Library — the firm of O'Connor and Kilham — designed the interiors of Speer, still containing many original details. Speer also contains delightful Art Deco detailing, increasing its unique historic contribution.

Bulldozing Speer would have a colossally negative impact on Princeton's historic heritage owing to its "keystone" location. It is within a one minute walk of both of the District's two National Historic Landmark structures (the Einstein House and Morven), can be seen from Trinity Church and Borough Hall, and rests proudly along the Mercer Street gateway into Princeton.

Princeton Borough's Historic Preservation Review Committee has strongly condemned the Seminary's demolition concept proposal and clearly summarized its opinion in a nine-page memo to the Princeton Regional Planning Board last month.

As a resident of Princeton, I urge the Planning Board to deny this brazenly insensitive proposal and instead encourage the Seminary to investigate the respectful alternatives of reuse, renovation, or expansion for their library needs.

ROB ROBERTSON
Mercer Street

John Witherspoon Middle School PTO Thanks Community for "Super Saturday"

To the Editor,

On behalf of the John Witherspoon Middle School PTO, we would like to thank the Princeton community for supporting Slammin' Super Saturday on September 27 at JWMS. Despite the rain, we had a fabulous turnout at our annual fund-raising carnival. People of all ages enjoyed the many rides and games that were offered, as well as some tasty treats. The festivities helped raise nearly \$10,000 to fund the Sixth Grade Environmental Education trip to the Delaware Water Gap.

Slammin' Super Saturday could not have been a success without the many people who volunteered. We want to thank all the volunteers and local organizations for their time and energy, as well as the Princeton-area companies who generously supplied goods and services. It was truly a community event.

Thank you again for your support and we hope to see you next Fall for Slammin' Super Saturday 2009 — rain or shine.

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Drumthwacket Hosting Book-Signing Event On Student Letters to Holocaust Survivors

Drumthwacket, the Governor's Residence in Princeton, will be the setting on Sunday, October 19, for a book signing event and educational kickoff promotion for the latest classroom tool to educate students against the evils of bias, prejudice and intolerance: *Words for All Time: Students' Letters to Holocaust Survivors*. A number of the 35 survivors featured in the book will be on hand to speak with reporters and autograph copies. The festivities will begin at 2 p.m. and conclude at 3:30 and will include a brief presentation about the future of Holocaust education.

A project of the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education, the book was compiled from over a thousand letters, poems, and writings of New Jersey school children after they had a local Holocaust survivor, many of whom have published their memoirs, visit their school and discuss their own childhood experiences at the hands of the Nazis.

"This book represents only a fraction of the many letters received by Holocaust survivors after speaking to students in elementary, middle and high school classrooms," says Commission Executive Director Dr. Paul B. Winkler. "But these few letters do express the breath of emotions and depth of understanding felt by students after listening to a survivor tell his or her story." The book also includes a short message by each survivor to readers, conveying their thoughts on humanity, providing encouragement to students to remember the lessons of history and not repeat the same mistakes, and expressing their hopes for the next generation to take into the future.

Making survivors available to educators and their students is one of the programs the Commission offers in helping the 600 school districts in New Jersey to meet the State mandate passed in 1994 requiring instruction that it "shall enable pupils to identify and analyze applicable theories concerning human nature and behavior; to understand that genocide is a consequence of prejudice and discrimination; and to understand that issues of moral dilemma and conscience have a profound impact on life. The instruction shall further emphasize the personal responsibility that each citizen bears to fight, racism and hatred whenever and wherever it happens."

According to Mr. Winkler, "Holocaust education is not just a mandate, but an opportunity to do something about bias, prejudice, bigotry and intolerance. When it especially comes to educating young children, it's not only about educating them about the atrocities of humanity, but how we can teach them to appreciate and accept the diversity among people."

About four and a half years ago, the Commission made a decision to actively support, encourage and initiate ac-

tivities that would bring students and survivors together in meaningful, personal and educational settings. As stated by Commission Chairperson Philip Kirschner, "when students interact closely with a survivor, the level of caring, learning and understanding is unmatched and the lesson will impact the students all their lives in a positive way."

"Our visiting survivor programs afford students insights that a history book can't provide," added Mr. Winkler.

In one example, juniors in a high school humanities program had an opportunity to interview Holocaust survivors in a program called "Portraits of Survivors." Students then composed essays about the reflections inspired by those meetings. "Within these essays, readers will find a sense of the bond formed between the survivors and the students, and the emergence of an understanding on the part of the younger generation that some events must never be erased from our collective memories," noted Doreen Schwartz-Weitz, the school's program coordinator.

Having attended numerous programs at which author survivors have presented their story, *Words for All Time* editor and publisher Rob Huberman observed that "there seems to be an almost limitless number of questions students wish to ask of the survivors."

According to Mr. Huberman, "Most of the Holocaust memoirs being published today are written by child survivors, so it's likely that today's youths better relate to and understand the Holocaust based on the experiences of someone who had been close to their age when it happened. This enables educators to make better use of these memoirs to help students to grasp the impact of the Holocaust and

relate it to their own lives." He recalls one remark made by a student after she experienced a survivor classroom presentation: "It's easy to learn about history when it's sitting right beside you."

Child survivors and their published memoirs play "a vital role in educating students about the Holocaust, genocide and prejudice," Mr. Winkler commented. "But time is running out for this kind of program, considering that most survivors are already into their seventies. Within ten years we may not be lucky enough to have such still-dynamic individuals available to reach out to students—in person—with their story."

Michael Berenbaum, Professor of Jewish Studies at the American Jewish University in Los Angeles and former Director of Research Institute at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. pointed out that "the encounter between students and Holocaust survivors in classrooms throughout the United States is one of the most morally compelling and emotionally moving educational experiences available to students today. *Words for All Time* documents that experience, giving voice to the imperative that survivors feel to bear witness and to the response of students to that very act of witness."

Light refreshments will be served at the event. The governor's residence is at 354 Stockton Street, (Route 206). For more information contact Dr. Paul Winkler at the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education at 609-292-9274 or email holocaust@doe.state.nj.us.

Labyrinth to Host "Paradiso" Translators

Robert and Jean Hollander will read from their recent translation of Dante's *Paradiso* on Thursday, October 16, at 5:30 p.m. at Labyrinth Books.

The new translation is printed with facing-page Italian, offering, according to a Labyrinth spokesperson, "the dual virtues of maximum fidelity to Dante's text with the feeling necessary

to give the English reader a sense of the work's poetic greatness in Italian."

Mr. Hollander, who recently retired as Chairman of Princeton's Department of Comparative Literature, taught Dante's *Divine Comedy* to undergraduates for 30 years. The author of numerous books and articles on Dante, Boccaccio, and other Italian authors, he has received many awards, including the gold medal of the city of Florence in recognition of his work on Dante.

Ms. Hollander is a poet, teacher, and director of the Writer's Conference at the College of New Jersey.

This translation is also the text of the Princeton Dante Project Web site, an online project that offers a multimedia version of *The Divine Comedy* and links to other Dante web sites. "The commentaries that accompany each canto offer superb guidance in comprehension and interpretation," added Labyrinth's representative. R.W.B. Lewis described it as "probably the most finely accomplished" translation yet.



ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGE: The Class of 1943 Professor at Princeton University Cornel West will speak on "The Challenge of Election 2008" at the Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church on Monday, October 20, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Praised by the New York Times for his "ferocious moral vision," he first came to national prominence in 1993 with his best-selling book, "Race Matters", which has sold more than 450,000 copies to date. In his last book, "Democracy Matters", he analyzes the arrested development of democracy both in America and the Middle East. The presentation is free and open to the public.

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New Gallery 14 Exhibit Takes Viewers Through Lewis Carroll's Looking Glass

Hopewell's Gallery 14 members Rhoda Kassof-Isaac and John Blackford are presenting a joint exhibit on the same theme, "Through the Looking Glass," which opens with a reception on October 17 from 6 to 9 p.m. The public can meet the photographers on October 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the 14 Mercer Street gallery. Both photographers are working on the concept of using a camera to "step through the looking glass into another reality."

In Lewis Carroll's *Through the Looking Glass*, Alice steps through a mirror and into an alternate reality. For Ms. Kassof-Isaac and Mr. Blackford, "the camera lens is the photographer's looking glass. When the camera is pointed at a mirror or even a shop window, the photographer sees the world reflected at odd angles. The recorded image may include unreflected objects, too, forming a composite of real and reflected." Photographers shooting in the mir-

ror "can see themselves, or whatever falls onto the reflecting surface of the glass. What is reflected depends upon size, angle and light."

This combination of multiple images, reflections, and angles allows photographers to explore alternate realities, just as Lewis Carroll did in his books.

Rhoda Kassof-Isaac's photographs begin with a completed image taken during her travels in foreign lands, which she then uses as settings for the different figures illustrated in *Alice in Wonderland* and *Through the Looking Glass*: Alice, the White Rabbit, the Mad Hatter, the Cheshire Cat, the Red and White Queens, and the confused Knight and his horse. These figures are inserted into the world that she sees in her mind and creates in her photographs.

She feels that in her photography, "there is often the discovery of an image which seems to have been created by something larger than herself, and she wonders

at her fortune in capturing it. In other images, she may paint, alter, enhance, draw or add elements to the photograph until it satisfies her and speaks to her soul."

A trained artist and photographer, Ms. Kassof-Isaac has exhibited in the United States and Europe, and lived in Switzerland for 26 years. She now lives near Princeton and is one of the founding members of Gallery 14.

John Blackford has always been fascinated by alternate realities, and uses photography as a tool to explore them. Pointing his camera at or through reflecting surfaces lets him assemble images that "hardly seem of this world, though the resulting photo is a literal representation, with no Photoshop manipulation involved."

In this exhibit he is exploring worlds "that haunt him, some as close as a shop window or a still, reflecting pond." A photographer, writer and editor, Mr. Blackford has been a member of Gallery 14 since 2005.

In the Small Gallery

On view in the Small Gallery is "Czech Details, Marty Schwartz" featuring photographs taken in Prague and several small villages in the Czech Republic countryside that provide a personal vision of that country and its people. Working in color and in print sizes of 14x17, Mr. Schwartz has isolated elements that characterize the Czech city and countryside, in such places as Cesky Krumlov, Prague, and the village of Slovenice in the eastern portion of the country. While not trying to capture an overall image of the Czech Republic, it provides a glimpse into the texture of Czech life today.



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ALICE MAKES A POINT: This photographic work by Rhoda Kassof-Isaac can be seen in "Through the Looking Glass," a joint exhibit with John Blackford at Gallery 14 in Hopewell that begins with a reception on October 17, from 6 to 9 p.m. A "Meet the Photographers" event will be held on October 19, from 1 to 3 p.m. On view in the Small Gallery is Marty Schwartz's "Czech Details."



"LOOKING BACK": John Blackford's work picks up the theme of "Through the Looking Glass," a joint exhibit with Rhoda Kassof-Isaac that begins on October 17 at Gallery 14, 14 Mercer Street, in Hopewell. For Ms. Kassof-Isaac and Mr. Blackford, "the camera lens is the photographer's looking glass."



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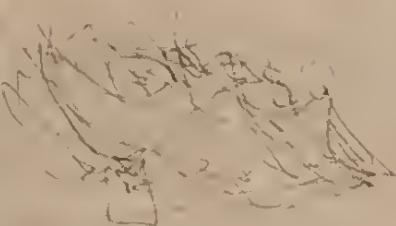
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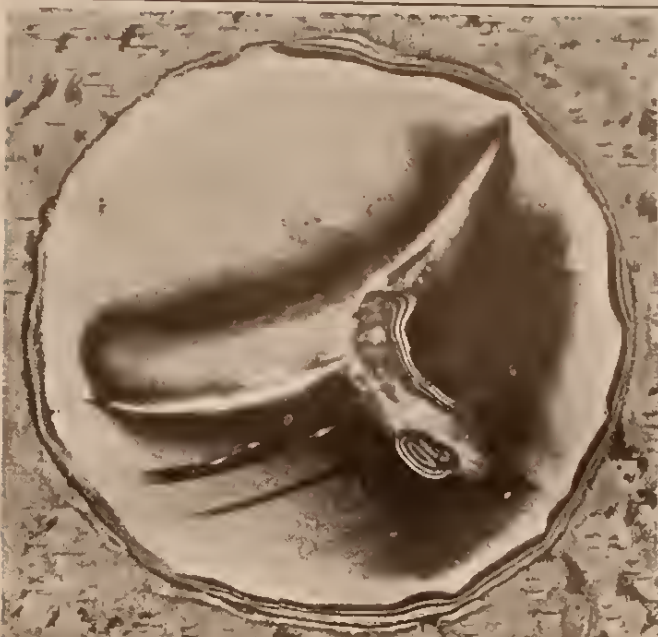
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LEIPZIG ON EAKINS AND MANET: Artist Mel Leipzig, a professor of art and art history at Mercer County Community College, will lecture on the work of the American artist Thomas Eakins and French artist Edouard Manet, on Tuesday, October 21 at 12 noon. Free and open to the public, Mr. Leipzig's talk and slide presentation is part of Mercer's Distinguished Lecture Series and will take place in the Communications Building, CM 107, on MCCC's West Windsor campus, 1200 Old Trenton Road.



"NO VACANCY": This work by Andor Drand Carius is part of his show, "No Vacancy," which will be at the Gemma Art Foundation, 10 Bayard Lane in Princeton, from Friday, October 17 through Tuesday, October 21. The exhibit includes silk screens, digital prints, and performances; subjects include Vacuum Science, Plasma Transformations, Collision Events, plus Pursuit of Emptiness, Money Art, and Stamp Act. Receptions will be held Friday and Saturday at 5 p.m. "Ensoundment, a Sound-Music Event," in which audience participation is encouraged and where children are welcome will take place on Sunday at 4 p.m. For more information, call (609) 902-0330.



"THE ANNUNCIATION": This work by Corinne Collymore Peters, whose painting "The Chosen" recently earned the Best in Show award in painting at the 26th Ellarslie Open, is part of "Art of Love," an exhibit in the Erdman Gallery at the Princeton Theological Seminary that opens on Monday October 27 and will continue through Friday, December 5. An artist's reception will take place on Saturday, November 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Erdman Art Gallery.

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"A COLD WINTER": This oil painting is among works by Dot Bunn that will be on display through November 30 at Bucks County Gallery of Fine Art in New Hope. The artist will join gallery owner Howard Cooperman at receptions being held on Saturday October 25, from 6-9 p.m., and Sunday, October 26 from 1-4pm. The show continues until November 30. Bucks County Gallery of Fine Art is located at 77 W. Bridge Street, New Hope Pa. For information call (215) 862-5272 or visit www.buckscountygallery77.com.

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"NEVER HAS SHE EVER": Renée Cox (center), whose solo show, "Never Has She Ever: Renée Cox," can be seen at the Mabel Smith Douglass Library Galleries through December 8, is also represented in a group show, "Never Has She Ever..." at the Mason Gross Galleries in New Brunswick through October 31, featuring painting, drawing, installation, film and video by 10 women artists re-representing "the female gaze." Pictured clockwise from center: Renée Cox, Jamie Bruno, Cauleen Smith, Hanneline Rogeberg, Donna R. Brown, Pamela Phatsimo Sunstrum, Shanell Betts, Lauren Kelley, Susanna Cottey, and Priya Nadkarni. The Estelle Lebowitz Visiting Artist-in-Residence at Douglass College, Ms. Cox will be at the Douglass Galleries on Wednesday, October 22, at 6 p.m. for a reception/lecture. A reception for the group show will be held at the Mason Gross Galleries, 33 Livingston Avenue in New Brunswick on Thursday, October 16, from 5 to 7 p.m.

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ARTWORKS on Stockton Street in Trenton is hosting the 2008 Teen Arts Festival on Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. through October 25.

Bernstein Gallery, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, is presenting "Human Evidence: The War in Iraq," works on paper by Daniel Heyman, photography by Michael Kamber, through October 24. A panel discussion will take place October 21, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., with a reception to follow in the Bernstein Gallery. Both are open to the public.

D&R Greenway in the Johnson Education Center at One Preservation Place in Princeton is hosting a mixed media art exhibit, "The Land That Feeds You," through November 7. "Bats and Barns," which features children's art keyed to the adult exhibition,

is now on view in the Olivia Rainbow Gallery.

Erdman Gallery at the Princeton Theological Seminary is presenting an exhibit by docent artists through October 17. "Acts of Love," a series of oil paintings by Cranbury artist Corinne Collymore Peters, will be on display from Monday October 27 through Friday, December 5.

Firestone Library on the Princeton University campus is presenting "The Greek Book From Papyrus to Printing" through Sunday, December 7, in the Main Gallery. "Sketching Their Characters: 150 Years of Political Cartoons From Andrew Jackson to George H.W. Bush," will be in the library's Milberg Gallery until Sunday, January 4. A lecture by Rutgers history and journalism professor David Greenberg at 3 p.m. Sunday, October 19, in McCormick Hall, Room 101 on the University campus, will precede a reception for the exhibition.

The Gallery at Chapin is presenting "The Shape of Color" featuring the sculpture of Princeton artist Russell Marks which will be on view through October 31, with a reception for the artist on Wednesday, October 15, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Gallery 14 at 14 Mercer Street in Hopewell is presenting "Through the Looking Glass," a joint exhibit with Rhoda Kassof-Isaac and John Blackford that begins with a reception on October 17, from 6 to 9 p.m. Meet the Photographers, October 19, from 1 to 3 p.m. In the Small Gallery: Marty Schwartz's "Czech Details."

Gemma Art Foundation at 10 Bayard Lane will be presenting "No Vacancy" by multimedia artist Andor Orand Carius from October 17 to October 21. Visitors should park at the Princeton Borough Police municipal parking lot.

The Jane Vorhees Zimmerli Art Museum in New Brunswick is presenting "Dark Dreams: The Prints of Francisco Goya, A Selection

from the Collection of the Arthur Ross Foundation," an exhibition of 100 prints demonstrating Goya's technical and creative achievements as a printmaker, through December 14. Another new show, "Pop Art and After: Prints and Popular Culture," is also on view through December 14. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick.

The Jewish Center of Princeton at 457 Nassau Street is presenting Judy Stein's paintings inspired by Israel.

Mercer County Community College is opening the season with "Favorite Things," which features four artists and will be in the gallery on the second floor of the Communications Building through Thursday, October 23. MCCC art professor Mel Leipzig will give a lecture/slide presentation entitled "Eakins and Manet" on Tuesday, October 21 at noon. Part of Mercer's Distinguished Lecture Series, it will take place in the Communications Building, CM 107, on MCCC's West Windsor campus, 1200 Old Trenton Road.

Morven Museum & Garden is presenting "Picturing Princeton 1783: The Nation's Capital" through January 11, 2009. For more information, call Morven at (609) 924-8144, ext. 106. Free parking is available.

The New Hope Arts Center, 2 Stockton Avenue in New Hope, Pa., is presenting "Speak Up, Speak Out," a multi-artist exhibit "on issues facing America and the world today." An opening reception will be held on October 11, from 6 to 8 p.m.; the exhibit will run through October 29.

Pennswood Village Art Gallery, 1382 Newtown Langhorne Rd., Newtown, Pa., is presenting "Explorations," paintings by Paul King, through October 26.

Phillips' Mill, 2619 River Rd., north of New Hope, Pa., is holding its Juried Art Exhibition through October 28. The show is open daily from 1 to 5 p.m. For information call (215) 862-0582.

The Present Day Club at 72 Stockton Street is hosting an exhibition of watercolor paintings done by the late Karl Gossner, M.D., which will continue through the end of October. Paintings will be on view Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Princeton University Art Museum is starting a new season with "Jasper Johns: Light Bulb," through January 4; "Frank Gehry: On Line," through January 4; and "Félix Candela: Engineer, Builder, Structural Artist," through February 22. The museum has also begun its fall session of Art for Families. Held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the art museum, the program is for children ages 5-9. Space is limited to 15 children. Tickets are required and can be purchased at the Frist Campus Center Ticket Office, Monday through Friday 12 to 6 p.m. For more information, call University Ticketing at (609) 258-9220. Tickets are \$5 per child; free for parents or Friends of the Princeton University Art Museum.

Riverrun Gallery, 287 S. Main Street, Lambertville, is going to be exhibiting works

from Riverrun Gallery's annual Phillips Mill "Salon des Refuses" exhibition through October 25. Gallery hours: daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sundays noon to 5 p.m., closed Tuesdays. For more information call (609) 397-3349.

Small World Coffee at 254 Nassau Street is exhibiting collages by Suzanne Ives Cunningham through November 4.

The Trenton City Museum at Elfarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park begins a new season with an exhibit featuring sculptor Sharon Kingsbury and former Trenton resident Eric Fowler, whose paintings depict local landmarks; the exhibit will run through November 9. There is a call for entries for "Voices for the Marsh 2008," a juried photography exhibit to be held

at the museum from October 24 to December 4, and two additional venues through March 9, 2009. Photos must be taken at the Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown Marsh. Submissions are due October 11, from noon to 3 p.m. at the museum. For information about the Marsh, see: www.marsh-friends.org. Address questions to: marshphotos@marsh-friends.org.

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QUESTION: Every day the Dow goes down and down and down. My nerves are shot and I feel so depressed by it all. How can I cope?

ANSWER: The moods of many rise and fall with the Dow. What for some seemed to be a sure bet has seemingly evaporated before their eyes. However, let us look at 2 possible and problematic reactions.

PROBLEM 1: FEAR: When times are bad, people desperately want a quick fix. They were probably nervous when they first invested, may have felt overjoyed when the market value of their funds experienced double-digit

growth, but now want rapid relief that returns them to a gossamer-like yet comfortable feeling of safety. While their mind dictates otherwise, they shorten the time for their decisions, and allow daily news flashes to heighten their anxiety. The rational wisdom of "buy low & sell high" is gutted by the irrational fear that their retirement nest egg will vanish. Regrettably, their desire for quick reassurance leads to slow pain from large losses.

SOLUTION: HOPE: What is needed is to fight fear with hope, using their intellect to control their feelings. They need to stop jumping to conclusions, assuming that the current trend is a never-ending death spiral. Instead, they can reframe the present from being doom & gloom into being an opportunity to buy low knowing that over time the market has bounced back again and again.

PROBLEM 2: PRIDE: When times are good, insecure people can use the wealth that good investments provide as a symbol of their status or importance. Hoping to keep the financial dogs of disaster at bay and their haughty neighbors baying in envy, enough never becomes enough. The end begins to justify the means, the crime of climbing over the broken bodies of competitors to get to the top being justified by a cynical worldview and a desperate need to show one and all that they have made it. When times are bad, when their symbols disappear, an all-consuming depression looms around the corner.

SOLUTION: HUMILITY: There is nothing wrong about being wealthy, but when your internal value becomes predicated upon external symbols, then your priorities are backwards, and you are always chasing a ghost that is just beyond your grasp. Humility is not eating humble pie or being a passive sap, but seeing yourself in relationship with God, and assessing your worth through your innate qualities instead of your outer possessions. You are a leader because of your courage, honesty and integrity. You are loved because of your kindness and sensitivity. Your stock portfolio will not last forever, but who you choose to be in your journey in life will. Try to swallow this simple truth. It will not give you indigestion, just a sense of peace and happiness.

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MUSIC REVIEW

Latin American Jazz Group Electrifies Audience in Richardson Auditorium

The Princeton University Music Department is apparently not the only department presenting concerts in Richardson Auditorium these days. For the past five years, the Program in Latin American Studies has also been sponsoring musical events on campus to further acquaint the Princeton community with the culture of Latin American countries and artists. One of the premiere Latin American musical groups, Choro Ensemble, came to Richardson on Friday night, and this quartet of artists treated the audience to a wide variety of Brazilian musical styles and songs.

The choro tradition, often referred to as the "New Orleans jazz of Brazil," combines improvisation with a musical quodlibet of the Portuguese, French, Spanish and other cultural influences on the country of Brazil. The word "choro" itself, meaning "to cry" in Portuguese, refers to the jazz wailing qualities of the solo instrument of the ensemble. In Friday night's case, a clarinet. Not totally unrelated to the classical music of the High Baroque in structure, choro is known for the virtuosity of its instruments combined with indigenous dance rhythms.

Although it was unclear how these particular artists came together, the four players of the Choro Ensemble made all of these qualities quite evident. Clarinetist Anat Cohen is clearly classically trained and can hang with the best of them in big band and jazz. Pedro Ramos, a native of Brazil, played the tenor guitar and the cavaquinho, a very tiny guitar-like instrument played on four strings. The bass of the ensemble was held up by Carlos Almeida playing the seven-string guitar and Zé Mauricio playing the pandeiro, a Brazilian frame drum resembling a tam-

bourine. All of the players could have been considered virtuosi on their instruments, but Ms. Cohen in particular was a stand-out star, ripping her way through the Brazilian effects, jazz styles, and lightning speed scales.

The fifteen or so pieces the Ensemble played during the evening were largely based on jazz dance rhythms and syncopations. As in a jazz piece, each instrument took its turn at a solo within the piece. As Mr. Ramos explained to the audience, the joy of this genre of music is to "collect songs, learn them and play then with your friends." The ease of the Choro Ensemble's performance gave the impression that the players were sitting around a living room and playing, although they clearly had the path of each piece carefully mapped out.

There are evidently composers and arrangers collecting tunes currently for use in choro, and the Ensemble played several numbers transcribed from other instruments. The cornerstone number of the performance was a piece translated as "tasty" in English, in which the quickness of Mr. Mauricio on the pandeiro was most impressive. Throughout the evening, the four players were capable of producing quite a bit of sound and moved easily between slinky smooth tunes and virtuosic pieces which could rival Bach.

The audience in Richardson was more of the younger crowd than seen at classical concerts, with quite a few students. With the world becoming smaller through technology, it was refreshing to hear and see artists not only committed to a high level of performance but also dedicated to preserving an indigenous art form.

—Nancy Plum

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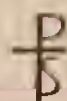
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"Harp till You Drop" the Message As Harpers' Escapists Play Library

"It's hard to make the harp sound bad," joked Harpers' Escape co-founder Kathy DeAngelo at the group's Sunday afternoon concert at the Princeton Public Library. After an hour-and-a-half of lilting, wistful, somber, and toe-tapping traditional Scottish and Irish music, the audience that filled the library's Community Room seemed unlikely to disagree.

This year's Harpers' Escape weekend, the largest ever, with 37 participants, took place at Princeton's Chauncey Center, where harpers Grainne Hambly, William Jackson, Sharon Knowles, Debbie Brewin-Wilson, and Ms. DeAngelo taught players of all levels about playing the harp during two days of "total harp immersion." Solos by each teacher, individual groups, and a final ensemble piece highlighted Sunday's concert.

Ms. Brewin-Wilson and Ms. DeAngelo got the inspiration to start the Harpers' Escape Weekend in 1992, when the intrusions of young children and everyday life threatened to interrupt sustained rehearsals for performances. Now in its 16th year, the Harpers' Escape "offers a wonderful combination of learning, camaraderie, and support for harpers of all levels," according to its website, <http://www.harpersescape.com/>.

"I think there is a certain mystique that is associated with the harp," said Ms. DeAngelo in a New York Times interview several years ago. "It's associated with angels, with serenity,

and that kind of stuff. It's a very sensual instrument as well; you have to get your arms around it."

While she didn't make a connection between her name and the heavenly bodies associated with her favorite instrument on Sunday, Ms. DeAngelo did talk about harps and the people who play them.

The Harpers' Escapists play "folk," or "lever" harps, she noted, as opposed to the larger classical harps used by large orchestras. Clad in t-shirts announcing their "harp till you drop" motto, the players conveyed a decided air of down-to-earthness, consistent with Ms. DeAngelo's insistence on calling them "harpers," rather than "harpists." (She also calls the fiddle, which she sometimes used to accompany the harpers, a "fiddle," rather than a "violin.")

When people ask "where was the music?" Ms. DeAngelo deadpans, "weren't you listening?"--the point being that students participating in the Harpers' Escape Weekend are taught to play by ear. The folksiness of their world was reflected in an anecdote Ms. DeAngelo told about one of their selections, "Still I Love Him." After it was aired on the BBC in 1952, she said, the song drew responses from women all around Great Britain who knew different verses specific to their own particular regions and husbands' occupations. Thus, "He works in the pinyard for twelve bob a week/He comes home on Saturdays full as a leach/ Still I love him, I'll forgive

him/I'll go with him wherever he goes."

—Ellen Gilbert



Verónica Villarroel



James Valenti

Opera New Jersey Gala Planned for November 1

Opera New Jersey has announced that the internationally renowned Chilean soprano Verónica Villarroel and the fast-rising young

American tenor James Valenti will headline the company's Fourth Annual Celebrate Opera Gala on November 1.

Former New Jersey Gov. Thomas H. Kean has been named Honorary Chair and longtime Princeton resident Marie L. Matthews will serve as the Gala Patron Committee Chair of the Fourth Annual Celebrate Opera Gala. The black-tie event, which will benefit Opera New Jersey's upcoming season and educational outreach, will be held at the Princeton Marriott at the Forrestal.

"It's an honor to gather such world class talent at Opera New Jersey's Celebrate Opera Gala," said Opera New Jersey Artistic Director Scott Altman. "This evening is a wonderful opportunity to not only hear great singing in an intimate environment but to kick off our next exciting season."

Ms. Villarroel has performed at the Metropolitan Opera, La Scala, Stuttgart Opera, Lyon Opera, San Francisco Opera, and Lyric Opera of Chicago. Among others. She has sung leading roles in Mozart's *Così fan Tutte*; Puccini's *La Bohème* and *Madama Butterfly*; and Verdi's *La Traviata* and *Il Trovatore* opposite such names as Dmitri Hvorostovsky, Jose Cura, Plácido Domingo, and Renata Scotto.

Mr. Valenti, a New Jersey native, is currently performing the title role in Gounod's *Faust* at Opera Carolina. This past summer he made his La Scala Opera debut as Rodolfo in *La Bohème* with Maestro Gustavo Dudamel at the podium. In March 2008, he performed Lt. Pinkerton in Mark Lamos' *Madama Butterfly* at New York City Opera, nationally televised on "Live from Lincoln Center" on PBS. He studied at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia.

Individual tickets start at \$250 and include the auction, live opera entertainment, cocktails, dinner and wine. Sponsorships begin at \$500 and include a private champagne reception to with the artists, recognition in the Gala program book, and other privileges.

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A HOST OF HARPS: Over 20 participants in this year's Harpers' Weekend Escape played in a Sunday afternoon concert at the Princeton Public Library. Co-founder and teacher Kathy DeAngelo is standing on the right.

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Bohème Opera to Perform With Trenton Symphony

Bohème Opera New Jersey will present *Autumn Serenade*, a collaborative concert with the Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra Strings on Sunday, October 26 at 3 p.m. at Patriots Theater at The War Memorial in Trenton. The concert

will be conducted by John Peter Holly of the Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra and Bohème Opera's Joseph Pucciatti.

Soprano Teresa Eickel and soloists from the orchestra will showcase a collection of songs and arias for soprano and strings by Giacomo Puccini. The concert will include the arias "Vissi D'Arte" from *Tosca* and "O Mio Babbino Coro" from *Gionni Schicchi*.

Ms. Eickel is a three-time award winner of the Sergio Franchi competition and a 2006 recipient of the New Boston Fund Fellowship Award from the Hartford Arts Council. In 2004-05, she made her debut in the role of Clo-Clo San in *Madama Butterfly* with Mobile Opera. She also debuted the roles of Donna Anna in *Don Giovanni* with Opera Memphis, the role of Lili in *Sacramento Opera's Turandot* and the role of Mimi in *Lo Bohème* with Salt Marsh Opera.

Selections from the Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra will include *Autumn* from Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons* with violin soloist Herold Klein, Handel's *Concerto in Bb for Harp and Strings* with harp soloist Cheryl

Cunningham, and Howard Hanson's *Serenade for Flute and Strings* with flute soloist Erica Jo Simon.

Concert tickets are \$25, \$20, \$15, and \$10. To order, call the Bohème Opera box office at (609) 581-7200.

Mark Laycock Conducting At Art Museum Tomorrow

The Princeton University Art Museum will present a concert by the renowned chamber orchestra Festival Strings Lucerne, under the direction of Mark Laycock, at 8 p.m. tomorrow, October 16 at the Princeton University Chapel. Sponsored by William and Judith Scheide of Princeton, the performance will benefit the Princeton University Preparatory Program (PUPP), an academic and cultural enrichment program that supports high-achieving, low-income high school students from Ewing, Princeton, and Trenton public schools.

Tickets are \$20 and are required. The chapel doors will open at 7:30 p.m.

"We have become enthusiastic advocates of the mission of the Princeton University Preparatory Program," said Mr. Scheide. "PUPP not only expands the visions of the students involved but enhances their prospects for the future."

As one of Switzerland's most widely touring orchestras, the Festival Strings Lucerne has performed throughout Europe and South and North America. The orchestra's broad repertoire ranges from works for string ensemble to extended chamber orchestra, and from Baroque to contemporary music. More than 100 works by major composers have been commissioned for and premiered

by the orchestra. Under the baton of Mr. Laycock, Festival Strings Lucerne will perform Respighi's *Ancient Airs and Dances Suite No. 3*; Mendelssohn's *String Symphony No. 9* (the "Swiss" Symphony); Bach's *Arioso*; Sarasate's *Carmen Fantasy for Violin and Orchestra* with soloist Daniel Dodds; and Mozart's *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*.

Mr. Laycock, the Music Director of the Princeton Symphony Orchestra for more than 20 years, has appeared with orchestras of London, Paris, Moscow, Kiev, Montréal, Mexico City, Seoul, and Taipei. His recent engagements have taken him to the Deutsch National Theater, the Staatskapelle Weimar, the Bochumer Symphoniker in Germany, and the Georges Enescu Philharmonic in Bucharest. He holds the distinction of being the first non-Russian ever invited to appear at the Moscow Autumn Festival, conducting a program at Tchaikovsky Hall. He also conducted the inaugural concert at the new Cairo Opera House in 1988, as well as the first concert of classical music ever made open to the public in Amman, Jordan. Founded in 2001 by the Princeton University Program in Teacher Preparation, the Princeton University Preparatory Program is a multi-year, tuition-free program that prepares students for admission to selective colleges and universities. The Princeton University Art Museum collaborates with PUPP to provide interactive museum visits and hands-on activities for PUPP scholars throughout the program.

To purchase tickets, call University Ticketing at (609) 258-9220 or visit www.princeton.edu/utickets.

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Jazz Pianist to Interpret Hymns in Free Recital

The Westminster Conservatory at Nassau series will present jazz pianist and composer Tara Buzash in performance with soprano Jean Marie Whaley tomorrow, October 16 at 12:15 p.m. in the Niles Chapel of Nassau Presbyterian Church, 61 Nassau Street in Princeton. Admission is free.

The program will consist of jazz interpretations of traditional hymns including *Onward Christian Soldiers*, *Neerer My God to Thee, Holy, Holy, Holy, I Love To Tell The Story*, and *I'm a Pilgrim, I'm a Stronger*. The performers will retain the original texts. The music in some cases is newly composed in the jazz idiom by Ms. Buzash, and in some cases the original hymn tune provides the basis for improvisation.

Ms. Whaley recently participated in *An Evening of Opero Scenes* at Hunter College, directed by Gloria Parker, in which she sang the roles of Fiordiligi in "Ah, guarda sorella" from Mozart's *Così fan tutte* and Juliette in the balcony scene from Gounod's *Romeo et Juliette*. She attended the Amalfi Coast Music Festival and Institute in 2006, where she performed the role of First Spirit in *Die Zaubersflöte*, and partial roles including Musetta, Fiordiligi, and Sarah in *The Legend of Bobby Doe*. She also performed as a soloist and section leader for Princeton Pro Musica in the 2005-06 and 2006-07 seasons.

Ms. Buzash is a jazz pianist, composer, and instructor in the Princeton

area. She is the coordinator of the annual Westminster Conservatory faculty jazz concert, featuring original music composed by members of the faculty. In 2006 she went on tour with a program entitled "Creative Spirit," which combined original compositions, new arrangements of old songs, audience requests, medleys, and impromptu compositions with an onstage exhibit of artworks by her husband, Steve Buzash. Most recently she toured with Sony recording artist Jonnie Valentine & the Heartaches, a contemporary country band. She has recorded two jazz piano albums, *Toro Buzash* in 2005 and *Places I've Gone, People I've Seen* in 2006. Both consist of original compositions and arrangements.

At Westminster Conservatory, Ms. Buzash supervises instruction in improvisation for the Young Artist Program and serves as camp director for summer jazz piano camps. She also maintains a private lesson studio in her home, and leads trio workshops for jazz piano students.

Westminster Conservatory of Nassau is a collaborative effort between Nassau Presbyterian Church and Westminster Conservatory, the community music school of Westminster Choir College of Rider University. Each of the eight recitals per season is 30 to 40 minutes in length and takes place on the third Thursday of the month, from September to May (except December). All performers in the series are faculty members of Westminster Conservatory.

The program on November 20 will feature soprano Nancy Froyland Hoerl and James Day, guitar.

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Inner Voices and Butterfly Moments: The Piano Poetry of Bill Evans

If the piano is to be what it inherently is, it must be taken away from the horns, allowed to do its solo turn, like a great magician or juggler. It is not by its nature an ensemble actor but a spell-binding storyteller. It is Homeric.

—Gene Lees in "The Poet: Bill Evans"

Fifty years ago Bill Evans (1929-1980) made a record that was packaged and designed to put him on the map. It was called *Everybody Digs Bill Evans* (Riverside 1958/Original Jazz Classics CD1987) and featured Sam Jones on bass and Philly Joe Jones on drums, along with a cover displaying testimonials to the pianist's talent, taste, and originality from his then-better-known peers, Miles Davis, George Shearing, Ahmad Jamal, and Julian "Cannonball" Adderley. The album landed among a stack of records for review at the offices of Down Beat, where an editor who had yet to discover Evans noticed it, took it home, listened to it, and was still listening at 4 a.m. In his nicely felt profile, "The Poet," Gene Lees says that what stood out more than the brilliance of the playing was "the emotional content of the music," which spoke to him "in an intensely personal way." Lees decided to put Evans on the cover of Down Beat, and soon became a close friend.

"Peace Piece"

Of all the glories on *Everybody Digs Bill Evans* — whether ballads like "Lucky To Be Me" and "What Is There to Say?" or uptempo stunners like "Oleo" — "Peace Piece" is where the music and the musician are most memorably invoking what Evans termed the "inner voices" of his "basic conception." The six-and-a-half minutes of unaccompanied invention carrying that suitable but inadequate title ("peace" being only one aspect of the creation) take the imagination to a different place with every listening. Just now it took me, musically and emotionally, to the closing moment of Charlie Chaplin's *City Lights*. With his left hand moving gently and unwaveringly back and forth from one to another of the same two chords while his right hand does the juggling, conjuring, emoting, and storytelling, Evans ventures into the same region of wonderment Chaplin discovers when the once-blind flower girl touches the hand of a tramp and realizes that this pathetic figure she's just been patronizing is the "rich and handsome" benefactor she'd imagined to be responsible for funding the restoration of her sight. Chaplin uses music of his own composition to help put the moment over, and since it's a si-

lent film, the spoken words appear on the screen. For the tramp, the title says, "You can see now?"; for the girl, "Yes, I can see." For the audience, there's a special resonance in the language of revelation, the notion of seeing taken to the highest power. Something similar happens at the conclusion of "Peace Piece" when in the hush following the last note the music seems to ask, "You can hear now?"

Bill Evans's respect for the integrity of "Peace Piece" was such that he preferred not to share with an audience this, next to "Waltz for Debby," his most famous and oft-requested composition. In one sense, the rationale is in the nature of the form he's established — the right hand's adventures are unique, not to be repeated, each one like a chapter in a book or stanza in a poem or finished drawing, complete in itself; since the idea is to compose freely within a structure, the "piece" could never be played the same way twice, no more than it could, as mentioned, take the imag-

the excerpts from a 1965 set on British television, he looks like the bespectacled square, the white-guy stereotype that encouraged reverse racism in black jazz fans when he was the only white in Miles Davis's sextet. Lees describes him in terms of a WASP with "a smalltown America 1950s haircut" (it's actually more like a 1930s haircut). Evans's eager, forthcoming manner in an interview given around the same time belies the cool, closed-in surface severity. By 1972, his hair has been liberated. By 1979, he's maned and bearded, more the Russian bear (he's half-Slav, half-Celt) than the waspy nerd. In response to those disgruntled fans, Miles Davis famously asserted, "I don't care if he has green hair and purple breath" or words to that effect, because, as Davis put it, "Bill had this quiet fire that I loved on piano. The way he approached it, the sound he got was like crystal notes or sparkling water cascading down from some clear waterfall."



ination of the listener to the same place twice. Evans's protective attitude is simply an aspect of his compositional philosophy and his concept of jazz as an art form, which is to keep the music in the moment, an idea he rewords in the liner notes he wrote for that most celebrated of jazz albums, *Kind of Blue*, recorded a year later with Miles Davis. After referring to the "Japanese visual art" that forces the artist "to be spontaneous," an art "in which erasures and changes are impossible," he suggests that those who see the resulting pictures "will find something captured that escapes explanation" — and excites imagination.

The Man

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Not only, then, is Evans a poet and a magician, he's a force of nature in mortal form who somehow happened to be born to a Russian mother and a Welsh father in Plainfield, N.J. According to Gene Lees, when Evans was young he was "elegantly coordinated," played football at Southeastern Louisiana (the starting quarterback on a championship team), was a "superb driver with fine reflexes ... a golfer of professional stature, and ... a demon pool shark." But in time he was also a heroin addict who had to borrow from friends to support his habit, carefully noting exactly how much he owed each person, and years later paying them back when he was making good money. Rather than accepting that his habit was evil (though he kicked it, only to get fatally hooked on cocaine), he saw it on the grand scale, life and death.

"Every day you wake in pain like death," Lees quotes him as saying, "and then you go out and score, and that is transfiguration."

Quietly Lovely

When Gene Lees cites "the springtime lilac poignancy" of *Everybody Digs Bill Evans*, he's got to be thinking of "Peace Piece," a "pastoral improvisation," as Ted Gioia calls it, "more a mood than a composition." The idyllic associations reflect my own experience on first hearing it. I was looking through a little book published in Prague in 1954 called *Butterfly Moments* that I'd picked up among the leftovers at an area library's book sale. Not until I sat down with it did I notice the 20 water colors of butterflies scattered through the pages, the work of a Czech painter named Max Svabinsky, interspersed with an English translation of some poems. When Bill Evans's left hand began casting its spell, I was gazing not at Svabinsky's butterflies but at the pen and ink sketch on the cover showing a quietly lovely woman in a pretty, ankle-length dress with a butterfly net in her hand, her eyes fixed on the winged beauty she's about to capture.

How can a woman be "quietly lovely?" Because the music makes her so, because every now and then the boundaries dissolve, sounds and images and words chiming or rhyming to make an experience that can't be consciously set in motion but simply has to happen, as it happened to me the day the piano poetry of "Peace Piece" entered into the summer warmth of the scene and made music of this woman and her movements, bringing her to life. Here, surely, was Svabinsky's muse, his ideal, the love of his life as invoked by Evan's playing. Open the book and at first glance the front endpapers show nothing but the pond, dragonflies in flight, reeds bending, everything in a soft-lead-pencil haze, including the woman, who is up to her knees in the water, naked. Look at the rear endpapers and she's back in her long-skirted dress, sprawled barefoot on the bank of the pond, dozing, hugging the grass, the net flung to one side, the air alive with butterflies as the piano creates the element of sound that inspired Miles Davis to speak of "crystal notes" and clear "cascading" water.

Butterfly Moments ends with an epilogue about the artist whose drawings are "perhaps best compared to the songs in the works of some of the great masters of symphonic music."

—Stuart Mitchner

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Choir College to Observe Composer's Centennial

The Westminster Conservatory Faculty Series will present Autumn Winds, a recital by members of the wind department at Westminster Conservatory, this Saturday, October 18 at 7:30 p.m. The free program will feature works by Conservatory composer and horn teacher Craig Levesque and Elliott Carter, the eminent American composer who will celebrate his 100th birthday on December 11, 2008. The concert will be in Bristol Chapel at Westminster Choir College.

The program will include the Woodwind Quintet (1948) and the Canon for 3 by Mr. Carter and the Pastoral for woodwind quintet by Mr. Levesque. It will also feature two works for reed trio: the Suite brève en trio

by Eugene Bazza and the 10 Fragments for oboe, clarinet, and bassoon by Tsippi Fleischer; and two works for flute quartet: the Quartet by Harald Genzmer and Arcadie by Marc Berthomieu.

The performers will include Ellen Deerberg, Katherine McClure, Barbara Williams, and Kevin Willais, flute; Melissa Bohl, oboe; Kenneth Ellison, clarinet; Ivy Haga, bassoon; and Craig Levesque, horn. All are members of the Westminster faculty.

Westminster Conservatory is the community music school of Westminster Choir College. To learn more about this performance, call the Westminster Choir College box office at (609) 921-2663. For information about Westminster Conservatory, visit www.westminster.edu.



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Lecture Series Planned With PSO Conductors

The Princeton Adult Schaal, in a joint program with the Princeton Symphony Orchestra, will again offer its popular lecture series, "More Than A Concert," on two Wednesday evenings, November 5 and January 14, 2009 from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Princeton United Methodist Church. The lectures will examine the repertoire to be performed at the Princeton Symphony Orchestra's classical subscription series concerts.

This year's lectures will be given by the guest conductors who will lead PSO's 2008-09 classical concerts. With the PSO in the second phase of its search for a new music director, the lectures provide an opportunity to explore the conductors' individual philosophies as they present their interpretations of the works they have chosen to perform this season.

For the first lecture, on Wednesday, November 5, Tito Muñoz, Assistant Conductor of the Cleveland Orchestra and Conducting Fellow of the League of American Orchestras, will talk about PSO's November 9 concert, "Princeton, It's Revolutionary!" A musical celebration of the 225th anniversary of the year 1783 when Princeton was the nation's capital, the concert will include works by Haydn, Verdi, and Shostakovich, to illuminate what it was like to be in Princeton that year. Highlighted by Steven Isserlis' performance of Haydn's 1783 masterpiece, Cello Concerto in D Major, the concert will also include the overture to Verdi's opera La Forza Del Destino, and Shostakovich's monumental Tenth Symphony.

The second lecture, on January 14, will feature Mei-Ann Chen, Assistant Conductor of the Atlanta Symphony. She will discuss PSO's January 18 concert, "Princeton Commissions a

Concert," when soloist David Krakauer will premiere Paul Moravec's Clarinet Concerto. The concert will also include Dvarak's Wind Serenade, Rossini's Lo scala di seta, and Mendelssohn's Fourth Symphony.

The More Than A Concert lecture series will continue in March and April, 2009 for the winter term of the Princeton Adult School, again tracking the Princeton Symphony's classical concert series. Registration for the winter term will be posted at the PAS website. For more information about the Princeton Symphony Orchestra, visit www.princetonorchestra.org.

The lectures will be offered in two ways — with PSO concert tickets included, or without for those who have already purchased tickets. Enrollees may also attend the Saturday morning dress rehearsals for the concerts. Rehearsals and concerts are held at Richardson Auditorium. To enroll for the fall lecture series, call the Princeton Adult School at (609) 683-1101, or visit www.princetonadultschool.org, click on Lectures, and scroll down to page 2 to Enroll Now.

Princeton United Methodist Church is located at the corner of Nassau and Vandeventer Streets.

Off-Broadstreet Theatre Offering Musical Revue

Pumpkin pie, chocalate cake, and the camlart of familiar songs will be served at Hopewell's Off-Broadstreet Theatre when the theater's new show, Déjà Vu, o Familiar Musical Revue opens on Friday, October 24. The musical includes familiar songs spanning generations, such as My Funny Valentine, When You Wish Upon a Star, I'll Be Seeing You, and Don't Sit under the Apple Tree.

A few selections by contemporary song writers such as Harry Chapin and Billy Joel will be added to the classics by Cole Porter, George Gershwin, and Leonard Bernstein.

OBT Artistic Director Bob Thick will take the stage in the musical, joined by OBT veterans Denise Mihalik of Madison and Gabrielle Visser Trumbull of Morristown. Ms. Mihalik, a graduate of Westminster and UNC Greensboro, has been seen at OBT in the musicals Peg Of My Heart and Tintypes. Ms. Trumbull was the leading lady in the theater's The Goodbye Girl. Barry Abramowitz of Lawrenceville, a bass/baritone who has appeared on stages throughout Massachusetts and New York, will make his OBT debut with Déjà Vu.

Off-Broadstreet shows include desserts and coffee or tea.

Déjà Vu will run week-ends October 24 through November 29, on Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Admission Friday and Sunday is \$27.50; Saturday, \$29.50. A senior citizen rate of \$25 is available for Sunday matinees only.

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Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends (A Final Evening with the Illuminati)

Theatre Intime Presents a Timely Post-Apocalyptic Sermon: "Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends"

Yes, this is a comedy. Under normal circumstances, I could probably assume you'd realize that a play titled *Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends (A Final Evening with the Illuminati)* couldn't be anything but satiric. But at last Thursday's opening night, on a day when the stock market tanked again en route to the worst week in Wall Street history, the timeliness of this end-of-the-world theme was frightening.

But no. Theatre Intime is not offering a doomsday scenario on the decline of Western Civilization, nor an economic treatise on the consequences of the failures of capitalism, nor an investigation of what you should do in the coming recession with what's left of your retirement account, your stock portfolio, and the rest of your life.

In *Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends* the genre is satiric comedy, the conspiracies are the occult religious ones of the Illuminati rather than sub-prime mortgage sellers and Wall Street wheeler-dealers, and the principal villain is the black-robed figure of Death himself. Grim subject matter notwithstanding, *Some Things You Need to Know...*, which takes place in the small Hamilton Murray Theater cleverly transformed into a dilapidated, post-apocalyptic church looking like an overflowing junkyard, might even provide a certain comic relief from the daily assaults of the economic, political, and world news.

First performed by the authors Levi Lee and Larry Larson themselves in Atlanta in 1981, *Some Things You Need to Know...* presents a church service. The paranoid, half-crazed Reverend Eddie (Doug Lavanture), decked out in his red long underwear, disheveled hair and beard, prepares to deliver his final sermon: "Life is Like a Basketball Game." The hunch-backed, friar-robed, skull-capped, green-sneakered Brother Lawrence (Dave Holtz) is his eager, loyal assistant in the strange proceedings that include a series of wild skits embodying Reverend Eddie's idiosyncratic visions and culminate in a final showdown on the basketball court between Reverend Eddie and Death.

The richly detailed, chaotic setting is filled with the ramshackle vestiges of civilization, some that will be directly pertinent to the evening's proceedings and some completely random: old tires, a TV set, a stuffed bird, a suit of armor, a toilet, a skull, an hourglass, graffiti everywhere, boards over the windows, a basketball, a cowbell, a large illuminated eyeball, chicken wire, an old bicycle, a pitchfork, a typewriter, a mirror, old trunks, a highway construction cone, a fire extinguisher,

a chandelier, a candelabra, a distorted altar upstage center, a fog machine and applause signs (operated by Brother Lawrence), and a raised pulpit festooned in black on stage left.

The theater audience is the congregation, and, yes, significant audience participation is involved. Ushers in long white robes welcome them and later bring around the collection plate. Reverend Eddie in his paranoia and manic intensity engages the congregation in a number of unexpected, sometimes shocking ways throughout the evening.

Assisted by his faithful helper, Father Eddie commences his church service — an incongruous, often humorous mix of religious profundities with the mundane trivialities of daily life. His catechism is sprinkled with questions about basketball trivia and the capital of Missouri. The congregation must participate in a mock-religious responsive reading before being dismissed to go in peace to enjoy the intermission refreshments. And interspersed throughout are Reverend Eddie's fits of panic and pique, such as when he

insists on raising the house lights to find out who's been whispering, or to investigate exactly who put what into, and who took what out of, the collection plate.

The target of the satire here is more the human foibles and the hypocrisies of excessive religiosity than it is religion itself, but some of the mockery, including a scene of holy communion with Death and another scene of the Passion of Reverend Eddie, complete with basketball backboard and net instead of crucifix, may be offensive to those who take their religion seriously.

Intermingled throughout is a progression of bizarre and mostly funny interludes, presumably from Reverend Eddie's dreams or visions, in which St. Paul and St. Timothy, dressed as construction workers with their yellow hardhats, lunchboxes, and plenty of corny gender and Bible jokes, discuss the role of women in the church; a pair of country music singers intone a rousing rendition of "Jesus Was a Lutheran and I'm a Lutheran Too;" and an earnest applicant for sainthood undergoes a bureaucratic nightmare then struggles hard in choosing

his preferred gruesome method of achieving martyrdom.

Music supplies an additional rich ingredient to the proceedings. Ominous, electronically distorted Gregorian chants set the mood between scenes, and a range of rock, disco, and melodramatic movie music provide a comic incongruity for several entertaining scenes.

This Intime production, directed by William Martinez, Princeton University sophomore, effectively brings together an array of challenging production components — a complex series of lighting and sound cues, in addition to the abundance of unusual props and set features. The pace moves rapidly through numerous scenes in rapid succession. The two well rehearsed, capable young actors work together with natural skill and familiarity in their sharply contrasting roles.

The comedy is uneven, however, and the book is so strange — in the oddities of its characters, in its subject matter and the unseen presence of the mystical Illuminati as a constant offstage influence, in some of the shocking religious material and violence in language and action — that the "Final Evening with the Illuminati" is less than 100 percent entertaining. The small opening night audience was only sporadically engaged and amused, despite the first-rate Theatre Intime production.

Mr. Lavanture plays the power-hungry, manic minister with intensity and sustained conviction from his opening scene lying on his downstage bed contemplating a skull, then reacting with paranoid anger to the turn-off-your-cell-phones announcement until his final scene as he battles Death on the basketball court. He presides over the service with an authority and unpredictable irascibility that runs the gamut from funny to frightening.

Mr. Holtz, completely affable, obliging and amusing — reminiscent of Marty Feldman's dry-witted assistant in the movie *Young Frankenstein* (Mel Brooks' spoof on the Frankenstein story) — is an excellent foil to the dark, harsh demeanor of Reverend Eddie. Both actors skillfully switch costumes and characters to cover a range of different supporting roles.

"Don't take this show or yourself too seriously," advises the Director's Note in the program, and Mr. Martinez has deftly, for the most part, struck an appropriate balance in emphasizing the humorous aspects of this ominously titled comedy. Theatre Intime's *Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends* deserves a bigger audience for its second weekend of performances.

—Donald Gilpin



DDDM AND DEVILTRY: Reverend Eddie (Doug Lavanture, right) preaches hell fire and brimstone and the end of the world to his loyal hunchbacked assistant Brother Lawrence (Dave Holtz) in the setting of a dilapidated church filled with the paraphernalia and refuse of contemporary civilization in Theatre Intime's production of Levi Lee and Larry Larson's comedy, "Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends (A Final Evening with the Illuminati)," at the Hamilton Murray Theater through October 18.

"Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends (A Final Evening with the Illuminati)" will run October 16-18, Thursday through Saturday, with performances at 8 p.m. and a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, at the Hamilton Murray Theater. For information call (609) 258-1742 or visit www.princeton.edu/utickets.

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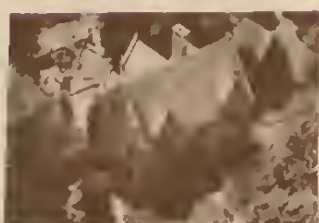
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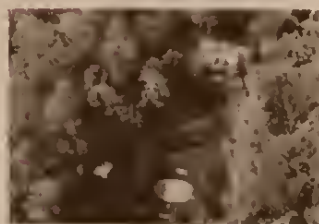
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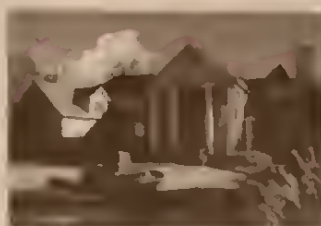


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Pennington Players Plan Auditions for "The Wiz"

The Pennington Players are seeking actors of all ethnicities as they audition for *The Wiz*. With a book by William F. Brown and music and lyrics by Charlie Smalls, *The Wiz* merges Dorothy and her friends with the rhythms and soul of Motown.

The show brings to life the usual *Wizard of Oz* characters and a few not so well known. The production will cast 23 to 25 actors, with several actors playing multiple roles. It will be directed by Kyrus, with musical direction by Jay Kawarsky and choreography by Joia Mastromarino.

Auditions will be held in the CM Building on the MCCC campus on Saturday, November 1 from 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, November 6 from 7 to 10 p.m.; and Saturday, November 8 from 10 a.m. to noon. Interested actors are asked to visit www.penningtonplayers.org for more information on the audition process, and to sign up for an audition time. Appointments are encouraged. Appointments may also be scheduled by calling (609) 737-PLAY. All roles are open; actors must be at least 16.

The Wiz will be performed at the Kelsey Theatre on March 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, and 16, 2009. The original movie and original Broadway cast featured an entirely African-American cast and

crew. But the director's vision for this show requires a cast of all nationalities and all backgrounds, to showcase the melting pot called America.

2008-09 Season Schedule Set at Passage Theatre

Passage Theatre Artistic Director June Ballinger has announced the theater's 2008-09 season, which will include the world premieres of Amber Kain's *The Summer House* and Caridad Svich's *Instructions for Breathing*, as well as the 7th Annual Solo Flights Festival. Passage Theatre is in residence at the historic Mill Hill Playhouse, 205 East Front Street, Trenton.

The season will open with *The Summer House* directed by Jade King Carroll, October 30 through November 23. The darkly comic thriller serves an excess of love on the rocks, with a twist. Kennedy Sommer, of the wealthy, cultured, and inscrutable Manhattan Sommer family, pursues a rushed marriage to a charming stranger she met online. Oddly, she invites her parents to join her and her new husband on their honeymoon at the family summer house in the Catskill Mountains, and when Kennedy's husband goes missing, the climate turns explosive.

Solo Flights Festival, Passage's popular festival of

one-person shows, music, and dance, will return for its 7th season March 5 through March 29. Featured artists will include *The Doily Show's* Lauren Weedman in *Bust*; Michèle LaRue in the Victorian tale *The Yellow Wallpaper*; Carlyle Brown recounting his journey of self-awareness and identity during his trip to Africa in *The Fulo from America: An Africon Journey*; and Miche Braden, the star of Passage's hit show *The Devil's Music: The Life and Blues of Besie Smith* returning as Billie Holiday in *Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill*.

Caridad Svich's *Instructions for Breathing* will have its world premiere April 30 through May 24. The play will be directed by Daniella Topol.

Jon and Sara return home one night to find that their child, Sonya, has mysteriously vanished through a casual act of neglect. Her disappearance turns her parents - and the community - upside down with regrets, judgments, and gossip; but also galvanizes them to take responsibility for their own fate in today's global and frenetic society. The drama exposes tragedy in the modern world, in a witty look at love, lies, and the language people use to disguise their hearts.

For tickets, membership or directions, call (609) 392-0766 or visit www.passage-theatre.org.

Playwright Submissions Sought by Play Festival

Premiere Stages at Kean University is currently accepting play submissions from New Jersey professional playwrights born or currently residing in New Jersey for its Premiere Stages Play Festival. The Festival is also open to playwrights in the greater New York, Connecticut, and Pennsylvania metropolitan area.

"We are committed to developing and producing the work of local playwrights," said John Wooten, producing artistic director of Premiere Stages. "We invite playwrights and patrons to join us in the process of creating original work for the stage."

Interested playwrights are asked to submit either a synopsis or full script through an agent. All playwrights who have been asked to submit full scripts, including those not selected for expanded development, will receive an evaluation of the submitted play from the panel upon request. Three of the plays submitted will be selected for development at Premiere Stages. The three plays will be given public readings, with talk-backs with the audience and panel following each reading. One of the three plays will be selected for a June 2009 Equity Staged Reading, and the play deemed to be furthest along in its development will receive a fully produced Equity production in July 2009.

A cash prize will be awarded to three of the participating playwrights. The play selected for full production will be awarded \$2,000; the play selected for the June Reading will be awarded \$750; the runner-up will be awarded \$500. There is no fee required to submit to the Festival. Playwrights may download submission guidelines from www.kean.edu/premierestages or call (908) 737-4092.

half to seven. Familiar stories and fairy tales, played out by adult actors, are tailored to young audiences who get to add the sounds of the "deep dark forest," or create "very sudden thunderstorms," and participate in songs and games led by the characters.

Reservations, at (609) 466-2766, are recommended for Off-Broadstreet Theatre shows. The *Three Little Pigs* will be presented on Friday, October 10, at 10 a.m., and Saturday, October

11, at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Performances of *Rapunzel* will be offered on Friday, November 7, at 10 a.m., and Saturday, November 8 at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer* will make his appearance on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 10, 11, and 12 at 10 a.m., and Saturday, December 13 at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets are \$4 per person (adults and children). Group rates are available for parties of 10 or more.

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"HOW MUCH?!": Princeton University senior Steven Strenlo, as Zidi, is seen going over a family budget with some incredulity in "Amezidi," a Kenyan play now at the Matthews Acting Studio at the Lewis Center for the Arts, 185 Nassau Street. The play, written in Swahili by the Kenyan novelist, poet, and playwright Said Ahmed Mohamed and translated into English by Princeton University senior Chris Simpson, will complete its run this week with 8 p.m. performances Thursday through Saturday. Tickets are \$10 for the public, \$8 for students, and are available through University Ticketing by calling (609) 258-9220. (Photo by George Vogel)



"LISTEN UP, BROTHER!": Princeton University junior Shawn Fennell, as Ame, Zidi's brother, makes a point forcefully in the tragicomic two-man Kenyan play "Amezidi" now on stage at the Matthews Acting Studio. Translated from Swahili and directed by Chris Simpson, '09, the play explores the many social and cultural factors that have led to postcolonial Africa's impoverished state, including the continent's continuing reliance on the west. The production is believed to represent the first time a Kenyan play has been translated into English or brought to an American stage. For tickets, call (609) 258-9220. (Photo by George Vogel)

State Theatre Announces Free Series for Children

New Brunswick's State Theatre has announced the return of its interactive, free series, "Milk and Cookies," for children three to eight and their families. The fall series, sponsored by the Provident Bank Foundation, includes a total of six performances on three Saturdays at 10 a.m. and noon. Each performance contains live music and encourages audience participation.

The new series will include Guy Davis in *The Blues Is What It's All About* on Saturday, October 25; Lisa Garwood in *Folk Toles from For and Neor* on Saturday, November 15; and Julie Pasqual in *Holiday Stories from Around the World* on Saturday, December 6.

The program is free, but advance registration is required by calling Jennifer Cunha at (732) 246-7469, ext. 545.

Presented in the State Theatre's Heldrich Room, "Milk and Cookies" offers an introduction to the performing arts for young children. Youngsters attending the shows will be treated to complimentary snacks of milk and cookies.

A musician, composer, actor, director, and writer, Mr. Davis shares the traditions of acoustic blues music and African-American culture through songs, stories, and performance pieces. An internationally recognized performer and recording artist for adult audiences, he is equally acclaimed for his work with young audiences. For the Nickelodeon network's Nick, Jr. channel, he wrote and recorded songs for Whoopi Goldberg's *Littleburg* series, and appeared and sang in *Jock's Big Show*.

Ms. Garwood, a storyteller, musician, and educator, serves as Arts Program Director at Cambridge Elementary School in South Brunswick, where she has forged a unique program linking music and storytelling for children in grades K-5. In her interactive and

inclusive program, *Folktales from Far and Neor*, she takes her audience on a world tour, stopping in Africa, India, Italy, America, and other places.

Ms. Pasqual is a self-proclaimed "creativity junkie," a dancer, actress, storyteller, stilt walker, and clown with the Big Apple Circus. Her stories have been heard in such venues as the Kennedy Center, Philadelphia Museum of Art, New Jersey Storytelling Festival, and National Storytelling Network's annual conference in Gatlinburg, Tennessee.

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Ms. Locane's numerous film credits include *Cry Baby* opposite Johnny Depp, *Blue Sky* with Jessica Lange, and *School Ties* opposite Brendan Fraser. She also has a recurring role on the television series *Melrose Place*.

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CINEMA REVIEW

Rob Brown Stars as Late Gridiron Great in Biopic

Having been raised in rural Pennsylvania by his grandparents until the age of 12, Ernie Davis (Rob Brown) had to overcome his humble beginnings on his way to achieve gridiron greatness. During those formative years he forged a close bond with the man he called Pops (Charles S. Dutton), a coal miner who instilled a solid work ethic and a sense of dignity in his young grandson. Those character traits became priceless to Ernie and enabled him to overcome the obstacles he encountered in his life merely because he was born black in an age when intolerance and segregation were

the order of the day. By the time his widowed mother (Elizabeth Shivers) remarried and regained custody of her son, he had developed the steely resolve to be the best, and the temperament to oppose discrimination whenever he encountered it. Both his athletic prowess and his yearning for equality are the subject of *The Express*, a bittersweet biopic based on the best selling biography of the same name by Robert C. Gallagher. The title comes from the nickname Ernie earned in high school in upstate New York, where he was dubbed "The Elmira Express" because of his considerable feats on the football field as a running back.



Following the legendary Jim Brown (Darrin Dewitt Henson) to Syracuse University, Davis went on to eclipse his predecessor. He led their alma mater to a national championship and became the first African American to win the Heisman Trophy, which is given annually to the nation's best college football player. From college he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns, but unfortunately his promising career was cut short when Ernie succumbed to leukemia at the age of 23, and he never got to play in the NFL.

Directed by Gary Fleder, *The Express* does an excellent job of chronicling critical moments in the abbreviated life of Ernie Davis. Two examples are when he was refused accommodations in the South at a "white only" hotel, and was threatened, because of his skin color, by fans from an opponent's school. Credit goes to Rob Brown for depicting Ernie Davis's combination of integrity, vulnerability, and sheer guts. Equally effective are the supporting performances of Omar Benson Miller as his teammate and buddy Jack Buckley, and Dennis Quaid as Syracuse's Coach Ben Schwartzwalder.

The film realistically recreates the historical period with its retro musical score and has authentically reproduced backdrops, wardrobes, mannerisms, and even slang from the movie's time. This painstaking attention to detail adds to the picture's palpable sense of realism. *The Express* is a fine addition to the recent series of socially conscious sports movies such as *Glory Road*, *The Great Debaters*, and *Meet the Titans*, each of which presents the triumphs of individuals and explores the meanings of each film's historic moments.

THE ELMIRA EXPRESS ACHIEVES GLORY: Ernie Davis (Rob Brown) reaches the pinnacle of his career when he receives the Heisman trophy. His life was cut short by leukemia and he never got to play professional football for the Cleveland Browns.

Excellent (★★★) Rated PG for violence, mature themes, ethnic slurs and brief sensuality. Running time: 129 minutes. Studio: Universal Pictures.

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An American Carol (PG-13 for profanity, drug use, irreverent humor, and crude content). Michael Moore is lampooned in this variation of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol revolving around an unpatriotic filmmaker (Kevin P. Farley) determined to abolish the Fourth of July until he's visited by three ghosts who teach him the true meaning of America.

Appaloosa (R for violence and profanity). Viggo Mortensen and Ed Harris co-star in this Western about a couple of gunslingers hired to rescue a lawless desert town being terrorized by a renegade rancher (Jeremy Irons).

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (PG for mature themes). Animated family comedy from Walt Disney about a pampered pet (Drew Barrymore) on vacation in Mexico City who finds herself separated from her owner and having to rely on the help of a street smart German Shepherd (Andy Garcia) and an amorous pup (George Lopez) to find her way back to California.

Blindness (R for sexuality, nudity, violence, profanity, and rape). Harrowing thriller about the efforts of a sighted woman (Julianne Moore) to help her husband (Mark Ruffalo) and six others survive in the wake of an epidemic of blindness which has suddenly plagued their city. With Danny Glover, Alice Braga, Don McKellar, Sandra Oh, and Gael Garcia Bernal. In English and Japanese with subtitles.

Body of Lies (R for pervasive profanity and graphic violence, including torture). Ridley Scott directs this international thriller about a CIA operative (Leonardo DiCaprio) who attempts to infiltrate a Middle East terrorist network with the help of a veteran agent (Russell Crowe) and Jordan's chief of intelligence (Mark Strong). In English and Arabic with subtitles.

Burn after Reading (R for sexuality, violence, and profanity). Coen Brothers crime caper about a personal trainer (Brad Pitt) and a gym owner (Frances McDormand) who try to blackmail a CIA Agent (John Malkovich) whose computer disk they find. Cast includes George Clooney, Tilda Swinton, J.K. Simmons, Richard Jenkins, and Dermot Mulroney.

City of Ember (PG for mild peril and mature themes). Futuristic science fiction fantasy about a couple of enterprising teenagers (Harry Treadaway and Saoirse Ronan) who try to save the day when their underground metropolis is suddenly plagued by blackouts. Cast includes Bill Murray, Tim Robbins, Martin Landau, and Mary Kay Place.

The Duchess (PG-13 for sexuality, nudity, and mature themes). Keira Knightley handles the title role in this costume drama chronicling the life and times of 18th Century British aristocrat, Georgiana Cavendish, Duchess of Devonshire, whose unhappy marriage to a flagrant philanderer (Ralph Fiennes) became the subject of public scandal. Cast includes Charlotte Rampling, Dominic Cooper, and Hayley Atwell.

Eagle Eye (PG-13 for profanity, intense violence, and action sequences). Action thriller about a couple of strangers (Shia LaBeouf and Michelle Monahan) who find themselves both fugitives on the FBI's Most Wanted List after being manipulated into becoming members of a terrorist cell planning a political assassination. Cast includes Billy Bob Thornton, Anthony Mackie, and Rosario Dawson.

The Express (PG for violence, mature themes, ethnic slurs, and brief sensuality). Rob Brown handles the title role in this bittersweet biopic about college football great and first African-American Heisman trophy-winner Ernie Davis who succumbed to leukemia before having a chance to play in the N.F.L. Cast includes Dennis Quaid, Charles S. Dutton, and Omar Benson Miller.

Flash of Genius (PG-13 for brief profanity). Docudrama based on the real-life dilemma of engineering professor Robert Kearns (Greg Kinnear) who sued the auto industry in the sixties to obtain recognition of his invention of the intermittent windshield wiper. Cast includes Alan Alda and Lauren Graham.

How to Lose Friends and Alienate People (R for profanity, graphic nudity, and brief drug use). A comedy, based on Toby Young's memoir of the same name, about an intellectual British journalist (Simon Pegg) who takes a job at a New York City tabloid magazine that caters to the superficial celebrities he absolutely despises. With Megan Fox, Kirsten Dunst, Gillian Anderson, and Jeff Bridges.

Lakeview Terrace (PG-13 for sexuality, profanity, mature themes, violence, and drug references). Psychological thriller with Samuel L. Jackson as a Los Angeles Police Department cop who harasses the newlyweds (Kerry Washington and Patrick Wilson) living next-door because he disapproves of their interracial marriage.

Man on Wire (PG-13 for sexuality, nudity, and drug references). Don't look down documentary revisits Frenchman Philippe Petit's daring, death-defying and illegal high-wire walk at 1368 feet in the air between the roofs of the World Trade Center's Twin Towers back in 1974. (In English and French with subtitles)

Max Payne (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, intense violence, and drug use). Mark Wahlberg stars in the title role of this revenge thriller about a DEA agent and an assassin (Mila Kunis) who join forces to find the killers responsible for the murder of his family and her sister. Cast includes Ludacris, Beau Bridges, Neely Furtado, Chris O'Donnell, Donal Logue and Kate Burton (Richard's daughter).

Nick and Nora's Infinite Playlist (PG-13 for mature themes, sexuality, teen drinking, profanity, and crude behavior). Romantic comedy about a high school senior (Michael Cera) who asks a college bound coed (Kat Jennings) to be his girlfriend for five minutes in order to make his ex (Alexis Dziena) jealous. Cast includes Jay Baruchel, Frankie Faison, Kevin Corrigan, Aaron Yoo, Rafi Gavron, and John "Harold" Cho.

Nights in Radanthe (PG-13 for sensuality). Richard Gere and Diane Lane co-star in this romance drama about an unhappily married woman and a physician dealing with an emotional crisis who make the most of a weekend when they meet at a seaside retreat located in a tiny coastal town on North Carolina's Outer Banks.

Quarantine (R for profanity, terror, gory violence, and disturbing images). High-attrition horror flick about an L.A. apartment building sealed shut by the Center for Disease Control after blood-curdling start to emanate from inside. When the quarantine is lifted, the only evidence of what transpired is contained on a videotape shot by a TV reporter (Jennifer Carpenter) and her cameraman (Steve Harris).

Religulous (R for profanity and sexuality). Anti-dogma documentary starring agnostic Bill Maher who indicts faith in organized religions as beliefs in fairy tales which are to blame for many of the world's woes. With commentary by Steve Burg, Jose Luis De Jesus Miranda, and Andrew Newberg.

RocknRolla (R for violence, drug use, brief sexuality, and profanity). Campy crime caper, directed by Guy Ritchie, about a shady Russian billionaire (Tom Wilkinson) whose attempt to corner the London real estate market leads to lots of other mobsters muscling in on the get rich quick scam. Ensemble cast includes Thandie Newton, Jeremy Piven, Ludacris, Idris Elba, and Gerard Butler.

The Secret Life of Bees (PG-13 for violence and mature themes). Dakota Fanning stars in this Southern saga, set in the Sixties at the height of the Civil Rights Movement, about a motherless teen who runs away with her surrogate mom (Jennifer Hudson) from her abusive father (Paul Bettany) to a tiny South Carolina town where they are taken in by an eccentric trio of beekeeping sisters (Queen Latifah, Sophie Okonedo and Alicia Keys).

Sex Drive (R for crude humor, sexuality, nudity, and drug and alcohol use, all involving teens). Raunchy road comedy about an 18 year-old virgin (Josh Zuckerman) who steals his big brother's (James Marsden) classic Pontiac GTO in order to drive with a couple of friends (Amanda Crew and Clark Duke) from Chicago to Knoxville where he expects to rendezvous with a temptress (Katrina Bowden) he met over the internet.

Tell No One (Unrated). Crime thriller about a still-grieving pediatrician (Francois Cluzet) who suddenly finds himself a suspect in his wife's (Marie-Josée Croze) murder when the police decide to reopen the case at the same time that he receives an anonymous email warning him to "tell no one" that she's still alive. (In French with subtitles).

Trossiberian (R for violence, torture, and profanity). Crime thriller about an American couple (Woody Harrelson and Emily Mortimer) traveling by train from China to Moscow who unwittingly become involved with Russian cops and mobsters after being befriended by another couple (Eduardo Noriega and Kate Mara) en route. Cast includes Ben Kingsley and Thomas Kretschmann.

Vicky Cristina Barcelona (PG-13 for sexuality, smoking, and mature themes). Woody Allen directs this romantic comedy about two girlfriends (Rebecca Hall and Scarlett Johansson) spending the summer in Spain, who fall in love with the same artist (Javier Bardem), unaware that his unstable ex-wife (Penelope Cruz) is about to reenter the picture. In Catalan, English, and Spanish with subtitles.

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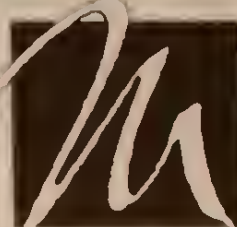
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PU Football Battles Hard at Colgate But Falls 27-24 on Last-Second FG

Echoing the words of NFL Hall of Fame coach Marv Levy, Roger Hughes relished the fact that his Princeton University football team was locked in a battle with Colgate last Saturday as the game went to halftime.

With Princeton leading the Raiders 16-14 at the break, Hughes conveyed a simple message to his players in the locker room.

"I told the guys we were in a heckuva football game," said Hughes. "There is nowhere you would rather be; this is what we do."

By the end of the contest, however, the Princeton dressing room was not a great place to be as the Tigers dealt with the disappointment of a 27-24 loss to the Raiders which saw Colgate score the winning points on a last-second field goal.

The Tigers battled valiantly, coming back from a 24-16 fourth quarter deficit to knot the game at 24-24 with 9:23 remaining in regulation.

But when it counted the most, Colgate was able to move the ball and get in position for the game-winning kick as the Tigers dropped to 2-2 on the season.

Hughes acknowledged that his team

couldn't stymie the 4-2 Raiders. "They were able to put together long drives," said Hughes, whose team was outgained 401 yards to 351 on a day in which Colgate held a 34:59-25:01 edge in time of possession.

"We only got the ball three times in the second half. I wouldn't say that they seized momentum but they did a good job of getting into manageable third down situations. Our defense needed to make the big play but we just couldn't do it."

The loss was particularly disappointing since the Tigers squandered a superb performance by junior running back Jordan Culbreath, who made plays all day in gaining a career-high 153 yards rushing.

Coming into the game, Colgate senior star Jordan Scott was the running back getting all the attention as he led the nation with an average of 203 yards a game.

But the 5'11, 195-pound Culbreath made a statement as he outdid Scott, who ended up with 116 yards rushing on the day.

"Jordan played well; he broke tackles and he looked fast running through their defense," said Hughes.

"While anything that Jordan does is for the team first but if you are a running back on the field with another running back, you want to show what you can do. One of the best things about the game was how well our offensive line did; they kept getting better as the game went on."

Princeton pushed the Raiders around for much of the first half. Taking the opening kickoff, the Tigers marched 52 yards to the Colgate 23-yard-line, culminating the drive with a 40-yard field goal by Connor Loudon to take a 3-0 lead.

Colgate responded to the Princeton field goal with a 66-yard drive that ended with a two-yard touchdown pass from Greg Sullivan to Adrien Schrieffer as the Raiders went ahead 7-3.

With Culbreath leading the way, Princeton regained the lead. Culbreath made a 20-yard reception and a nine-yard run on consecutive plays to help Princeton get deep in Colgate territory. The Fall Church, Va. native finished the drive with a 15-yard touchdown gallop. Princeton missed the extra point as kicker Connor

Louden was hampered by a groin injury so the Tiger lead stood at 9-7.

Early in the second quarter, QB Sullivan hit several key passes to Pat Simonds as the Raiders went on the march again. The Raiders retook the lead as Scott bulled in for a touchdown from the two.

The Tigers' next possession ended on an interception of a Brian Anderson pass. The Princeton defense made a stand, keeping Colgate from adding points as a Jacob Stein field goal attempt was wide left.

In Princeton's next possession, QB Anderson atoned for his interception, passing and running the Tigers down the field. Anderson ended the march by racing 24 yards for a touchdown as Princeton took a 16-14 lead into the dressing room.

"We felt pretty good," said Hughes, reflecting on his team's performance in the first half. "Offensively, we executed fairly well. We scored three of the four times we got the ball."

Things didn't feel good for Princeton in the third quarter as the Raiders took the second half kickoff and proceeded to march down the field. Mixing the passing of Sullivan and the running of Scott, Colgate put together a 13-play, 85-yard drive.

Scott scored a one-yard touchdown as the Raiders took a 21-16 lead.

In the early stages of the fourth quarter, Colgate built its advantage to 24-16 as Stein made a 24-yard field goal.

Showing the character that has marked Princeton in the early going this season, the Tigers didn't fold. With Anderson hitting Will Thanheiser for a 42-yard pass completion and Culbreath rushing for a 16 yards, Princeton got inside the Colgate 10. Anderson then hit tight end Bill Mitchell for a touchdown. The Tigers went for the two-point conversion and a 24-24 tie and succeeded as Anderson found Thanheiser in the end zone.

Hughes was impressed by how his team battled back. "It was a great drive," said Hughes. "We had gotten down and we knew to get down there or they were going to totally seize momentum. Anderson made some big plays."

But Princeton couldn't come up with the big plays on defense in the waning moments of the contest. Colgate took over at its 20 with 1:10 remaining. Not playing for overtime, the Raiders went to the air. Sullivan hit two big passes to get the Raiders inside Princeton territory. The sophomore QB then made a 16-yard run and hit an-



JORDAN RULES: Princeton University junior running back Jordan Culbreath looks for yardage in a game earlier this season. Last Saturday, Culbreath rushed for a career-high 153 yards but it wasn't enough as Princeton fell 27-24 at Colgate.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

other pass to Simonds as Colgate got into field goal position. Stein came on with two seconds left and coolly booted a 33-yarder to give the Raiders the win.

In the end, Hughes tipped his hat to Colgate, a perennial Patriot League power.

"They are a big, physical team; they executed well," said Hughes. "They had a good passing game, Simonds is a good receiver. We got good coverage on him but he was able to get balls even when they were underthrown."

While disappointed by the loss, Hughes did see some positives coming out of the game.

"We spun a lot of young players through our defensive line to keep people fresh and they did a good job," said Hughes.

"There weren't as many missed tackles as last week. Our special teams were better, we had good returns. We pinned them deep on some kick offs, we had good field position."

In Hughes' view, competing against a team like Colgate should help Princeton as it heads into the meat of its Ivy League schedule, starting with a home game this Saturday against Brown (2-2 overall 1-0 Ivy).

"We lost to a pretty good team; I can't see how that won't help us," asserted Hughes. "It makes you better to play against good competition. I thought we were more physical and we executed better."

With Brown boasting a high-powered offense, Princeton will have to execute well, particularly on defense.

"They are scoring a lot of points," said Hughes of Brown which is averaging 22.0 points a game with 300 yards passing a contest. "They always pass a lot. It's a league game and the stakes are higher."

—Bill Alden



UNCOILED: Princeton University senior punter Ryan Coyle boots the ball in action earlier this fall. Last Saturday, Coyle, a Princeton native and former Lawrenceville School standout, averaged 45.5 yards a punt to spur a good special team effort in Princeton's 27-24 loss at Colgate. Princeton now 2-2 overall and 1-0 in Ivy League play, hosts Brown (2-2, 1-0 Ivy) this Saturday.

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Busch Fires Up Princeton Men's Soccer But Tigers Drop Heartbreaker to Brown

Brandon Busch made no effort to hide his emotions. After scoring a first half goal last Saturday to give the Princeton University men's soccer team a 1-0 lead over visiting Brown, the 5'3 Busch raced to the wall at Myslík Field at Roberts Stadium and leaped up to high five cheering fans.

Early in the second half, sophomore forward Busch repeated the scene at the other end of the stadium, this time after slotting home a penalty kick to give Princeton a 2-1 lead with 36:20 left in the game.

The Tigers, though, were unable to hold the lead as defending Ivy League champion Brown tied the game with 29:47 remaining and then scored the game-winner with 3:18 left in regulation.

Afterward, the Princeton players made no effort to

hide their emotions, disconsolately trudging off the field with their heads hanging. The team sat on the practice field behind their bench for a lengthy and somber post-game meeting as they reflected on falling to 2-8-1 overall and 0-1-1 in Ivy play.

A subdued Busch acknowledged that the loss stung. "We came out and played real hard and fought with them," said Busch, who now has a team-high four goals on the season.

"It is a tough one to swallow; we were up for this team the whole week. We were preparing mentally; to give one away like that is tough."

For Busch, the result dimmed a special night when he once again proved to be a spark off the bench for the Tigers.

"Obviously I would rather

start but I think I fit into the role of coming off the bench pretty well," said Busch.

"I did that last year coming in as a freshman; my coach told me he really likes what I bring after the game settles down. The first 20 minutes of each half flies by really quickly. Once the game starts to settle down, coach likes to put me in to get the momentum back up in our favor."

Busch certainly gave Princeton momentum in the first half when he got on the end of a Devin Muntz feed and blasted it home.

"It was a great pass," recalled Busch. "I started on the other side and as the ball came out, I just ran across the defense. It just kind of opened up, we made eye contact and he put a perfect ball right to my foot."

Later, Busch produced a nice ball on the penalty kick which came when he was pulled down in the box on another run to the goal.

"I look at the ball the whole time," explained Busch. "When I'm running up to the ball, out of my peripherals, I see which way the keeper is going and just put it the other way. On that one, I was originally going to go to the other side but I saw him sliding so I decided to cut it back."

Princeton head coach Jim Barlow hated to see his team back into another tough loss.

"We haven't learned our lessons," said a frowning Barlow. "We lose the Monmouth game in overtime by giving a goal away off of our tap. We start the second half today by giving away a goal on our tap. That changed ev-

everything right there. We are up 1-0 starting the second half and we have the game under control and then 15 seconds into the second half, we have given a gift away. I think that gave them a lot of life; they did well after that to put some pressure on us."

Brown kept the pressure on Princeton after the Busch penalty kick, scoring two goals in the last 30 minutes to pull out the win.

"Their second was a long throw-in," said Barlow, whose team was outshot 11-3 in the second half and 17-8 on the evening by Brown (now 8-2-1, 2-0 Ivy).

"We spent the whole session yesterday defending long throw-ins because we know they are very dangerous on them. I thought it came down so close that it was a goal that Sean [Lynch] should have been able to come off his line and get but I guess there were too many bodies in front of him and we let it land. On the last one, I thought at that point the game had gotten stretched a little bit and the kid did well to finish his chance."

Barlow did like the way Busch finished his chances on the evening. "Brandon had his best game tonight," asserted Barlow.

"He has been frustrated and his confidence hasn't been as good as it was last year. Tonight I thought, he looked like his old self. I think scoring a goal in the first half gave him some confidence. If he plays like he did tonight, he's going to

have a chance to be in the top 11. He's got to get consistent; the thing that he has been able to do last year and in the spring was get on the end of plays and be real dangerous. He was a little more dangerous tonight than he has been in other games."

Princeton has to find a way to be more dangerous in crunch time. "We find ways to give games away," lamented Barlow, whose team hosts Rutgers on October 15 before playing at Columbia on October 18.

"Brown is a good team and you can't give them goals if you want to have a chance. Brown is really athletic and we had a hard time dealing

with some of their athleticism. But we still had two leads and when you have two leads you shouldn't lose."

Busch, for his part, is confident that Princeton can start coming through in the close games.

"We had a good tie against Dartmouth, it would have put us in the driver's seat to win this one," said Busch.

"We are not out of it; a lot of things can happen. I think we are making progress. All of our losses have been one-goal margins so if it goes the other way in any one of those games, things are different."

—Bill Alden



BUSCHFIRE: Princeton University men's soccer sophomore striker Brandon Busch shows his ball skill last Saturday against Brown. Busch also displayed his finishing skills, scoring two goals but it wasn't enough as Princeton fell 3-2 to the defending Ivy champ Bears.

(Photo by Stephen Goldsmith)



IN HARMS' WAY: Princeton University men's soccer junior star Ben Harms controls the ball last Saturday in Princeton's 3-2 loss to Brown. The Tigers, now 2-8-1 overall and 0-1-1 in Ivy play, will look to get on the winning track when they host Rutgers on October 15 before playing at Columbia on October 18.

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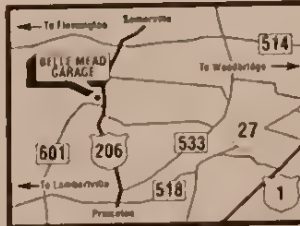


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SETTING HER SIGHTS: Princeton University women's soccer junior team captain Melissa Seltz blasts the ball in recent action. Last Saturday, Seltz and her teammates couldn't find the back of the net as they played a scoreless tie with visiting Brown. The Tigers, now 7-1-2 overall and 2-0-1 in Ivy League play, host Lehigh on October 15 before playing at Columbia on October 18.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

PU Sports Roundup

PU Women's Volleyball Runs Ivy Win Streak to 17

The Princeton University women's volleyball team ran its Ivy League win streak to 17 matches by pulling off a 3-0 win at Cornell last Saturday.

Three Tigers recorded 10 kills and senior Bailey Robinson added 40 assists as Princeton overcame a tough second set to win 25-15, 27-25, 25-18.

It was another strong night for the Princeton middles, as both Lindsey Ensign and Cathryn Quinn combined for 20 kills and only one error in Saturday's victory. Ensign recorded 10 kills on

16 swings without an error and added three blocks, while Quinn had 10 kills, also on 16 swings, and had four blocks.

Senior Parker Henritze recorded another double-double with 10 kills and 12 digs, while freshman libero Hillary Ford led Princeton with 17 digs.

Princeton, now 9-2 overall and 3-0 in Ivy League action, plays at Yale (10-3, 4-0 Ivy) on October 17 and at Brown (9-7, 1-3 Ivy) on October 18.

PU Men's Water Polo Splits In So Cal Finale

The 15th-ranked Princeton University men's water polo team split its games on the second day of the So Cal Tournament to place 11th in the 18-team field, which fea-

tured 14 ranked teams.

Princeton fell early in the day to seventh-ranked Long Beach State before edging 16th-ranked Redlands 12-11 in quadruple overtime.

Sophomore Jeff Cole and junior Mark Zalewski both scored twice in the loss to Long Beach while sophomore goalkeeper Mike Merlone made 15 saves in three quarters of action.

In the win over Redlands, Cole led the Tigers with four goals in the game, while senior Brendan Colgan, junior Douglas Wigley and Zalewski added two goals apiece. Merlone made 16 saves in the Tiger cage.

In upcoming action, the Tigers, now 8-7 overall, play at Bucknell on October 17 and face both John Hopkins and Mercyhurst on October 18.

PU Men's Lacrosse Names Captains

The Princeton University men's lacrosse team said last week that seniors Chris Peyser and Brendan Reilly will serve as team captains in the upcoming season.

Peyser is a star defenseman from Manhasset, N.Y. while shortstick defensive midget Reilly hails from McLean, Va.

Princeton, which went 7-6 last season, will also return leading scorer Tommy Davis and Ivy League Rookie of the Year Jack McBride on attack; starters Jeremy Hirsch and Charlie Kolkin on defense, and a legion of offensive midfielders. Mark Kovler, the team's leading scorer before breaking his foot and missing the last third of the season, is also back.

The Tigers will also feature the nation's top freshman class, according to Inside Lacrosse, which ranked nine of the team's newcomers among the Top 100 freshmen nationally.

Last weekend, the Tigers continued their fall season by competing in the 2nd Nick Colleluori Classic at Ridley High School outside of Philadelphia.

Princeton will also play its annual alumni game this Friday.

Tiger Field Hockey Trio Helps U.S. to Pan Am Gold

Princeton University junior field hockey star Kaitlyn Perrelle together with freshmen teammates Katie Reinprecht and Kathleen Sharkey helped the United States Junior National Team to a gold medal at last week's Junior Pan American Women's Tournament in Mexico City.

The U.S., Chile, and Argentina all qualified for the 2009 BDO Junior World Cup, to be held in Boston, Massachusetts from August 4 to 16. The U.S. went 4-0-1 in the tournament with round-robin wins over Bermuda and Trinidad & Tobago before tying Chile in the final game of pool play.

The U.S. topped Mexico 6-1 in the semifinals to advance to the championship game. In the title contest, the U.S. edged Chile 2-1 in overtime.

All three players appeared in each game for the U.S. team with Reinprecht starting all five games and each player scored in the tournament's opening game, a win over Bermuda.

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With QB Ryan Keeping Cool and Firing Away, PHS Football Tops Steinert With Stunning Rally

Connor Ryan was starting to think that things weren't going to fall in place for the Princeton High football team.

Although the senior quarterback had hit on several big passes as PHS battled visiting Steinert last Saturday, he had also thrown two interceptions which had helped put the Little Tigers in a 16-7 hole with 6:31 remaining in the fourth quarter.

"Of course we were getting frustrated," said Ryan. "I threw two bad passes that ended up in interceptions."

Over the final minutes of the contest, Ryan turned that frustration into a personal highlight film as he engineered a stunning comeback.

Connecting on key throws to Nick Miranda, Doug Bryant, and Skye Ettin, Ryan led PHS on an 80-yard scoring march that culminated with a 31-yard scoring strike to Josh Gordon on a swing pass as the Little Tigers closed the gap to 16-14.

After the PHS defense forced a three and out, Ryan and the Tigers took over on their own 22-yard

line with 2:53 remaining. Ryan kept up his hot hand, finding Miranda, Bryant, and Gordon for critical completions as the Little Tigers drove to the Steinert 11 with 1:36 remaining.

Gordon closed the deal, scampering 11 yards for a touchdown as PHS forged ahead 21-16 with 1:12 left in regulation. The Spartans, though, kept fighting, driving to the PHS 29.

The Little Tigers came up with one last big play as Ettin made an interception with 21 seconds to clinch the win and take their fourth straight victory as they improved to 4-1.

Reflecting on the final scoring drive, Ryan said there was a sense of confidence in the PHS huddle.

"We've got to work, we got to go hard to get the TD, that was what we were saying" recalled Ryan, who ended the day hitting on 14-of-30 passes for 267 yards. "Our mind was set on the end zone and we got it."

Early in the game, PHS couldn't get out of its way, let alone get in the end zone. Plagued by penalties and missed blocks, the Little Tigers trailed 10-0 heading into the waning minutes

of the second quarter.

Seeking to change the momentum, Ryan and PHS decided it was time to go to Plan B and air things out.

"This team put nine guys in the box and we knew the game couldn't be won by running like we have historically won games in the past," said Ryan. "We had to look to the passing game so we just started passing a lot."

Ryan proceeded to complete three passes for 61 yards as PHS marched inside the Steinert five. Gordon scored on a five-yard run to make it 10-7 and give the Little Tigers a dose of momentum.

"In the first half, we were all not in our rhythm," said Ryan. "At the end of the first half, the whole team got into its rhythm."

Ryan's connection with wide receiver Bryant helped PHS maintain that rhythm in the second half.

"Doug is my same age; I grew up with him," said Ryan of Bryant who had seven catches for 97 yards.

"We played in Pop Warner together since 6th grade; throwing to him all these years has developed a connection. He is a heck of a receiver, he makes me look good."

Ryan readily admitted that Gordon is the team's main security blanket.

"Josh makes everybody look good; he makes the guys in the stands look good," said Ryan with a laugh.

"He's absolutely incredible; he's fantastic. I know I can count on him when I give him the ball; I know he'll go and make a play."

PHS head coach Steve Everette, for his part, was not surprised that Ryan persevered to make the big plays at the end of the game for the Little Tigers.

"We have been waiting for Connor to gain his confidence and be able to throw the ball around and have confidence in his ability and the receivers," asserted Everette.

"Today you saw him not fall apart and not cave in to the pressure; he made a ton of good throws. That will be something we will continue to build on."

With running back Trevor Barsamian struggling with turf toe and the Steinert defense keying on Gordon, it was imperative that Ryan find the range.

"Everybody wants to stop our running game," said Everette. "When they do that, we have to take advantage of it. We have talented receivers and talented QBs. Today Connor got really hot and the receivers did a heckuva job of going up and getting the ball."

The PHS defense did a great job of getting the ball back as it stymied Steinert for most of the second half.

"Our defensive coordinator (Scott Goldsmith) dialed up a great second half," added Everette. "The kids made some stops when we needed to make some stops and then we went and drove the ball. It was a total

team effort."

While the PHS team lived up to Everette's "we not me" philosophy, the individual brilliance of Gordon made a huge difference.

"Joshua is starting to come into his own; we knew we had a pretty talented kid," said Everette of his junior running back who rushed for 106 yards and made three catches for 59 yards.

"Today we had to rely on him a little bit because Trevor was a little banged up. Josh was able to come through with some very big plays. On the swing pass he caught, he came over to the sidelines and said 'coach they aren't covering the swing, let's throw the swing.' That was him, not only being a good player but being a smart player. We were able to come and throw the swing and he went out and made a play."

The Little Tigers have

been making a lot of big plays since absorbing a 29-3 loss to Nottingham in the season opener.

"Nottingham came in here and kind of let us know that we had a lot of work to do," said Everette.

"That's been our focus to make sure that we work to get better, every week, play by play, minute by minute. Everything we do is in order to get better. The character the kids showed, that's from their desire and their want to. They wanted it today and we were able to go out there and make some plays to make it happen."

With PHS playing at Hopewell Valley this Saturday, Everette knows that his team has to maintain that hunger to get better.

"Today's step was prosperity," said Everette. "This is uncharted territory for us; we are going to go back to work on Monday and figure out our bumps and bruises. We will try to

get everything fixed up and get ready for a real tough Hopewell team."

In Ryan's view, the team's work ethic gives him confidence that the Little Tigers will keep up their tough play.

"We are hard workers; we put a lot of work in over the offseason," said Ryan.

"We moved to 6:30 morning practices; we came in after school. We know what it is to work hard. After we lost badly here against Nottingham, we knew what it meant to lose and see all of our work go down the drain. Over these past few weeks, we have worked unbelievably hard; that's the character of this team."

We want to keep this going and keep our streak alive."

And with his display of character in engineering the PHS' rally, Ryan has things falling in place for the Little Tigers.

—Bill Alden



JOSHING AROUND: Princeton High junior running back Josh Gordon bolts around defenders last Saturday in PHS' 21-16 win over Steinert. Gordon scored all three Little Tiger touchdowns on the day as he rushed 106 yards and caught three passes for 59 yards. It was the fourth straight win for PHS, which is now 4-1. The Little Tigers will look to keep on the winning track when they play at Hopewell Valley on October 18.


(Photo by Stephen Goldsmith)



AIR RAID: Princeton High junior Doug Bryant gathers in a pass from Connor Ryan last Saturday in PHS's come-from-behind 21-16 win over visiting Steinert. Bryant made seven catches for 97 yards while Ryan hit on 14-of-30 passes for 267 yards and a touchdown. PHS rallied from a 16-7 fourth quarter deficit to pull out the win.

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Vukasin's Aggressive in Goal Play Sets Tone As PHS Girls' Soccer Edges WW/P-N in OT

Gabby Vukasin naturally gravitated to the goalkeeper position when she took up soccer in kindergarten. "It's fun," said Vukasin. "You have to be really aggressive because of the position."

Last week against rival WW/P-N, the junior goalie for the Princeton High girls' soccer team had a lot of fun in the net, recording eight saves as PHS topped the Northern Knights 1-0 in double overtime.

The athletic Vukasin, who also stars as a forward for the PHS girls' ice hockey team, displayed her aggressiveness, making several sprawling saves in the first overtime to keep PHS alive.

Sparked by Vukasin's heroics, the Little Tigers ultimately prevailed on a superb volley by sophomore Lexi Stasi with just seconds left in the contest.

Afterward, a smiling Vukasin was thrilled to see the Little Tigers pull out the win.

"I don't think it has ever happened before for us so it feels really good," said Vukasin. "Everything just went in our favor for once."

For much of the afternoon, it didn't look like things were going to go in PHS' favor as it squandered scoring chances and looked disorganized at times on defense.

"It was really frustrating," recalled Vukasin. "We were

all yelling at each other because we couldn't get it together. I think we really pulled it together at the end."

After backing up Mary McNutt last year, Vukasin is happy to be putting it together as the starting goalie.

"It's fun; it really feels like I am part of the team," said Vukasin, who has posted three shutouts this season.

PHS head coach Greg Hand is glad to have Vukasin on his team.

"Gabby was on the money today," said Hand, whose team fell 1-0 last Friday to Steinert to move to 4-4 on the season.

"There was certainly a piece where we were over-anxious and we gave North not just a lot of possession but a lot of opportunities. We needed Gabby to stay tough as we sorted things out."

PHS had a money player in sophomore forward Stasi, who looked dangerous at several points before cashing in on the game-winner. "Lexi's finish was exceptional," said Hand.

"I am so glad she had the opportunity to receive the ball in a money situation and just put it home."

The Little Tigers wouldn't have been in position to win the game had it not been for the inspirational play of senior star Carly Edgcomb, who raced furiously all over the field to chase down balls.

"Carly must have won a dozen head balls in overtime; getting to balls that it's hard to imagine she could get to," asserted Hand.

"Her knees were bloody at the end of the game. I think she tried everything up; I think she carried the team at that point. She showed them another gear."

As the Little Tigers head into the homestretch of the season with the county and state tournaments looming, Hand knows that his team has to reach a higher gear.

"When we have the ball, we have to make it as good as it gets and when we don't have it, we have to be tenacious and disciplined," said Hand, whose team hosts Hamilton on October 16 and Ewing on October 21.

"Any external effect of what winning or losing has on our chances for something down the line has to be put aside."

But with his players engaging in a raucous post-game celebration after the win over WW/P-N, Hand knows there is a great joy in winning.

"Look at their reaction, they weren't just happy, it was as if they had literally won the state championship," added Hand.

"I think it's a reflection of how much they have invested in having a good season. You always want to keep perspective that if they are working hard everyday and constantly trying to improve that has to be the major way to define a good season but the winning part is huge. If you work hard enough that you deserve to win, then all the losses hurt and all the wins are going to be like state championships."

Vukasin, for her part, sees more victories coming for the Little Tigers.

"I think that this game is going to give us a boost to win more games," said Vukasin.

—Bill Alden

PHS Girls' Cross Country Making Progress, Building Strong Pack for the Big Meets Ahead

For the Princeton High girls' cross country team, it was the first major test of the young season.

Facing perennial powers WW/P-N and WW/P-S last week at Veterans Park in Hamilton, PHS saw the meet as a measuring stick with the county and state competitions just around the corner.

While PHS didn't prevail, it gave its highly regarded foes a run for their money. Led by precocious freshman Jenna Cody, who placed sixth individually, the Little Tigers lost 24-31 to WW/P-N and 25-30 to WW/P-S.

PHS head coach James Smirk, for his part, was pleasantly surprised by his team's effort.

"I was real happy with how we performed," said Smirk, who got a seventh place finish from senior co-captain Molly Lynch with junior Alice Fenley taking eighth.

"We had been running well physically but we hit a point where we were a little flat. The girls rose to the occasion; I think they saw that maybe we are better than we thought we are."

Smirk is looking forward to seeing how much better Cody can get. "One of the best things about her is that she has a lot to learn," said Smirk of the freshman who clocked a time of 19:43

over the 3.1-mile course in the meet with WW/P-N and WW/P-S.

"She has a lot of talent but she needs to learn how to race. It's an exciting time; we are just starting to see what she can do. She is starting to do repeat work, she had only done long training in middle school."

Cody's improvement has been hastened by training with the battle-tested Lynch.

"Molly is a seasoned runner; she learned a lot from Suzanne Hansen when she was younger," explained Smirk of Lynch who ran a time of 19:51 in the meet last week.

"She is now passing on tips to Jenna and working hard to help her mentally. Molly is pushing her and helping her develop her motivation."

Lynch's co-captain and classmate, Mina Juhn, pushed hard as she fought through an injury to take 12th in the meet.

"Mina is definitely a solid runner for us, week in, week out," added Smirk.

"She can take on just about anybody's No. 3 runner. She was less impressive last Tuesday because she was dealing with a slight quad problem. I wanted to sit her out but she said I couldn't do that to her in

her senior year."

Junior transfer Fenley is becoming more and more impressive in her own right as she adjusts to the PHS approach.

"Alice is a pretty accomplished runner," said Smirk of the former Florida resident.

"She didn't have so much time to train this summer with her move. She is learning the team aspect that we emphasize. She has a great last mile. We are working on having Molly lead her up to get her in position for the last part of the race."

In Smirk's view, the performance last week shows that PHS could be in position to do some special things in the bigger meets ahead.

"We like to have 10 runners that are better than the other team's fifth runner," said Smirk, whose team is next in action when it competes on October 18 in the Old Bridge Classic at Thompson Park in Jamesburg.

"We don't want to just have one or two good runners and settle for that. We want our first five to be within a minute. We had a good pack on Tuesday; we just need that pack to be one minute faster. When we run together, we are fine; when we don't, we have problems. It's hard work to get ready for that physically, emotionally, and mentally."

—Bill Alden



GETTING AN EDGE: Princeton high senior star Carly Edgcomb outruns an opponent for the ball in action earlier this season. Last Thursday, Edgcomb's hustle helped PHS outlast WW/P-N 1-0 in double overtime. PHS, which moved to 4-4 with a 1-0 loss to Steinert last Friday, hosts Hamilton on October 16 and Ewing on October 21.

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Hun Boys' Soccer Edges Blair 1-0 As It Displays Ball Possession Style

Coming into its game at the Blair Academy last Saturday, the Hun School boys' soccer team was sorely in need of a win.

The Raiders had fallen 2-0 at Lawrenceville School on October 4 and then had dropped a 5-0 decision to national power St. Benedict's three days later.

Hun head coach Pat

Quirk acknowledged that the Lawrenceville defeat, in particular, had stung his players.

"After the Lawrenceville game we decided we want another shot at them," said Quirk, whose team was outshot 14-9 in the loss to the Big Red. "We didn't show well in that game."

Showing intensity from



MAKING A MARK: Hun School sophomore boys' soccer player Mark Nicholas, right, eludes a foe in a game earlier this fall. Nicholas and his teammates had trouble eluding Hightstown as they fell 4-1 to the Rams last Monday. In upcoming action, Hun, now 4-7-2, plays at Rutgers Prep on October 16 before hosting the Peddie School on October 18.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

the start, Hun produced a solid 80-minute effort against Blair. "We came out hard against Blair; we were ready to play," said Quirk.

"We had a lot more possession and we had some good chances. We played our style, starting things from the back."

Going back to basics paid off for the Raiders as they pulled out a 1-0 win with senior Ryan Kreger scoring the only goal in the contest.

While Quirk was happy with the result, he acknowledged that the Raiders still need to sharpen up their finishing touch.

"We definitely needed that win," said Quirk, whose team didn't build on the win over Blair as it lost 4-1 to Hightstown last Monday to drop to 4-7-2 on the season. "We are still not getting enough goals."

Fortunately, Hun has continued to get better and better on the defensive end. "We have been playing good defense. Other than the St. Benedict's game (and Hightstown), we have not given up more than two goals in any game. Jeff Kaminski has been playing well in goal, he has really grown into the starting role."

The Raiders have depth defensively as a number of players are making key contributions.

"Kreger has played well," said Quirk. "He has been pushing up. He's a smart player who has dealt with injuries. Mark Nicholas has been the center back playing for his brother Thomas who is hurt. Connor Marino has stepped up and is playing well back there. Julian Plummer moved up to midfield. He makes good connections with the forwards. He has played very well; he's a great defender."

Senior Hunter Barth has been providing solid play and some inspiration for the Raiders.

"Hunter Barth has stepped up," asserted Quirk. "He hadn't been a varsity player before and he wanted to get on the field this year. We tried him at goalie and in the midfield. We finally decided to put him on defense and he has played really well. He fights for everything; he has inspired the guys."

Quirk is getting some good fight from improving freshman Frankie Villaverde. "Frankie has progressed a lot," added Quirk. "He was a little timid at first but he has toughened up. He is going at kids now."

In Quirk's view, things are going in the right direction for his team as it looks ahead to the upcoming county and state Prep A tournaments.

"I think we have taken steps every game," said Quirk, whose team plays at Rutgers Prep on October 16 before hosting the Peddie School on October 18. They might not have been big steps but we are making progress."

—Bill Alden

Hun Football Gets Routed by Blair 49-20; Suffering 1st MAPL Setback Since 2005

Dave Dudeck lost plenty of sleep as he prepared his Hun School football team for its game last Saturday at undefeated Blair Academy.

The more Hun head coach Dudeck broke down the game film of Blair, the more he realized what a challenge his team was facing.

Now Dudeck will be having nightmares about Blair when he looks back on the clash which saw the Buccaneers dismantle Hun 49-20.

"Hats off to Blair, they are a very good football team and they were ready to play," said Dudeck in reflecting on the game.

In the early stages of the contest, it looked like Hun was ready for a back-and-forth shootout with its Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) rival.

After spotting Blair a 7-0 lead on a 19-yard touchdown run by Blair star running back Dion Lewis, Hun's Nick Williams returned a kickoff for 90 yards to help Hun knot the contest at 7-7.

Lewis scored two more touchdowns on runs of 20 and 42 yards as Blair jumped out to a 21-7 lead. The Raiders answered back with a 25-yard touchdown run by quarterback Brendan Dudeck in the second quarter.

Hun got deep into Blair territory later in the quarter but came up empty on the drive and Blair took a 21-14 lead into halftime.

"I think it was a wild first half," recalled coach Dudeck. "We answered back a couple of times. We were

down 21-14 and we were knocking on the door before the half but we didn't score; that hurt us."

The Raiders absorbed a lot more pain in the second half as Blair outscored them 28-6 to turn the game into a rout.

"They scored on their first drive of the second half and that gave them some momentum," said Dudeck, whose team dropped to 3-2 overall and 2-1 in MAPL play with the loss.

"We got it to 35-20 but we couldn't do anything after that and they added two late touchdowns."

Dudeck acknowledged that his team couldn't stop the Pitt-bound Lewis, who ended the day with 198 yards rushing on 19 carries.

"I think the biggest thing was their running back Lewis; he's as good a back as we have seen," said Dudeck, whose defense was not at full strength with Tyler Stockton and Brian Leffler battling injury.

"He got even better from last year and he was real good then. We had problems tackling him. He is very quick, very thick; he is

a Division I back."

While Hun was disappointed to suffer its first MAPL loss since a 49-7 defeat to Hill in November 2005, Dudeck believes his team gained experience that will benefit it down the road.

"There were some tears; we were upset that we got beat but nobody is panicking," said Dudeck.

"We see that a number of kids who aren't seniors are getting in and that will be good for next year. It's a good team that is slowly learning and getting experience and getting better. We haven't been able to get the best kids all on the field at the same time but I look at the glass as half full since kids are getting experience who wouldn't be getting it otherwise."

Dudeck is hoping that his team will experience a win when it hosts the Peddie School on October 18 for homecoming.

"It is a rivalry game, they will be real hungry for us," said Dudeck. "We want to show Peddie that we are more than a one or two man team. The juniors need to step up and show that they are good players. We will practice hard this week and go from there."

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PDS Field Hockey Hurt by Uneven Play, Aiming to Be Consistent by Playoff Time

For the Princeton Day School field hockey team, its performance against Hopewell Valley last Saturday was a microcosm of its uneven play this season.

PDS got outplayed in the first half, getting outshot 7-2 as it fell behind 1-0 by halftime.

In the second half, the

Panthers ratcheted up the intensity, generating seven shots and scoring on a stroke by sophomore star Sydney Jenkins to force the game into overtime.

Ultimately, however, PDS fell short as HoVal scored in the extra session to pull out a 2-1 victory.

PDS head coach Jill

Thomas acknowledges that her team is having trouble getting over the hump in the close games.

"It was an intense game," said Thomas, whose team fell to 5-6 on the season with the setback.

"We played a good second half; we came out a little tougher. It was unfortunate that we lost. I liked the effort in the second half. We are that close to winning some of these games; we just need to catch a break."

Sophomore star Jenkins has been doing a good job creating breaks for the Panthers this fall.

"It was a great stroke," said Thomas reflecting on Jenkins' goal against HoVal. "She has a tremendous amount of talent; she is getting us on the board."

The stellar play of senior goalie Bryanna Mayes has helped keep PDS's foes off the board for long stretches.

"Bryanna played great against HoVal; she had 15 saves," asserted Thomas. "She kept it together for us; she helped us build confidence in that game. She has really played well for us."

With PDS having gone 4-3 in its last seven outings after struggling out the gate with a 1-3 record, the Panthers have been getting good play from its core of seniors.

"We are getting the leadership that we need," said Thomas. "Mariel [Jenkins] is playing her best field hockey; she will tell you she is a lacrosse player but she can play some good field hockey. Charlotte [Lescroart] and Georgia [Travers] are playing well. Becca Lavinson and Caitlin Gribbin are doing a great job. They are working hard on the defense. They are taking us up the field; the defense doesn't get a lot of attention but they are really key players for us."

With the state Prep A and county tournaments around the corner, Thomas believes her players will be giving full attention to doing their best.

"People have taken care of outside commitments like college visits; we are ready to focus," said Thomas, whose team will prepare for postseason play by hosting Hun on October 15 and then playing at powerful Robbinsville on October 17 and hosting Montgomery High on October 20.

"We need to play 60 minutes; we need to play hard, confidently, and well together with no let ups. We need to come to play right from the start. Hopefully the tournaments will help us play a complete game."

—Bill Alden

PDS Girls' Soccer Falts in Peddie Loss But Is Optimistic as Postseason Looms

Having won three straight games coming into its clash at the Peddie School last week, the Princeton Day School girls' soccer team seemed poised to keep up its hot streak.

PDS was tied 1-1 with the Falcons heading into the waning stages of the first half. But making some uncharacteristic miscues, the Panthers surrendered two goals and found themselves trailing 3-1 by intermission.

In the final 40 minutes, PDS did score a goal but it wasn't nearly enough as Peddie cruised to a 5-2 triumph.

PDS head coach Pat Trombetta believes his young team will learn some valuable lessons from the setback.

"We had some bad breaks and some missed communications," said Trombetta, who got goals from Janle Smukler and Katie Gibson in the loss as his team moved to 7-4 on the season.

"You can't make mistakes like that against a good team. The girls kept fighting to the end."

With several of his players fighting back from injuries, Trombetta is optimistic about his team's prospects.

"I think it has helped us that some of our injuries are clearing up," said Trombetta.

"Erin [Cook] is back on the field after suffering a concussion. She is really important to us, she can see the whole field and she makes a lot of the calls for us. Courtland [Lackey] had a quad injury and it is starting to get better. Katie Gibson is starting to come back, she

was out all last season with a knee injury."

The Panthers are getting better scoring balance as the season goes on. "The first thing that has helped us is Janie, she has been really good for us," said Trombetta of Smukler who has a team-high eight goals.

"She and Cammie Linville work so well together. We have had 10 girls score goals. The other teams can't just isolate on one player."

Sophomore goalie Jess Frieder has been spearheading the PDS defense. "Jess has five shutouts this year," said Trombetta. "The defense has played well with the exception of the Peddie

game."

As PDS looks ahead to the state prep and county tournaments, Trombetta is confident that his team can play well in those competitions.

"We want to play the tougher teams to get ready for the tournaments," said Trombetta, whose team plays at Blair Academy on October 15 and hosts Hightstown on October 17 before playing at Nottingham on October 18 and at Rutgers Prep on October 20.

"We have had stretches where we dominate and other games where we have stepped back. We have to be more consistent. I think we can make a run in these tournaments if we play together."

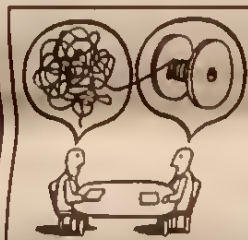
—Bill Alden



SCREEN SAVER: Princeton Day School field hockey goalie Bryanna Mayes heads to the ground to make a save in recent action. The strong play of senior star Mayes in the cage has helped PDS keep things together as it has gone 4-3 over its last seven games after a 1-3 start. In upcoming action, the Panthers host Hun on October 15, play at powerful Robbinsville on October 17, and then host Montgomery High on October 20.

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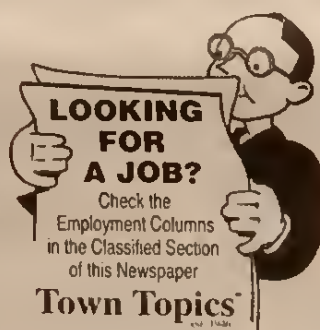
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FREED UP: Princeton Day School girls' soccer sophomore All Frieder fights for a ball in a game earlier this season. Frieder has provided solid play in the middle of the field to help PDS get off to a 7-4 start. In upcoming action, the Panthers will play at Blair Academy on October 15 and host Hightstown on October 17 before playing at Nottingham on October 18 and at Rutgers Prep on October 20.

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Hun

Field Hockey: Addie Godfrey scored a goal to help Hun tie Blair Academy 1-1 last Saturday. In upcoming action, the Raiders, now 4-6-2, play at Princeton Day School on October 15 before hosting Peddie on October 18.

Girls' Soccer: Arielle Collins came up big as Hun won 6-3 at Blair last Saturday. Post-graduate star Collins fired in four goals with Catherine Monigan and Blake Stockton adding one apiece.

The Raiders, who improved to 4-4 with the win, host Peddie on October 18 before starting play in the state Prep A tournament.

Girls' Tennis: Hun breezed to a 6-1 victory at Blair last Saturday to improve to 6-2 on the season. The Raiders have a match at Stuart Country Day on October 15 before hosting George School on October 17 and Peddie on October 18 and then competing in the state Prep A tournament starting on October 19.

Stuart

Field Hockey: Jackie Gaudioso-Radvany led the way as Stuart topped Princeton High 6-0 last Friday. The senior star scored twice to give her 20 goals on the season. Maddie Copeland and Caroline Passano each chipped in a goal and an assist as the Tartans moved to 11-4 on the season. In upcoming action, Stuart hosts Pennington on October 15 and Hamilton on October 17 before playing at Pingry on October 21.

Tennis: Stuart fell 5-0 to Princeton Day School last Friday. The Tartans have a home match with Hun on October 15 and then play Hopewell Valley on October

16 at Mercer County Park. Stuart will then start play in the state Prep B tournament on October 19.

PHS

Field Hockey: Unable to get anything going offensively, PHS fell 6-0 to Stuart Country Day last Friday. The Little Tigers, who fell to 2-7 with the loss, play at Ewing on October 16 before hosting Hopewell Valley on October 21.

Boys' Soccer: Goalie Steve Hellstern had a strong game to keep things close as PHS fell 1-0 to Steinert last Friday. Hellstern recorded six saves as the Little Tigers dropped to 7-2 on the season. In upcoming action, PHS plays at Hamilton on October 16 and at Ewing on October 21.

PDS

Boys' Soccer: Unable to get its offense going, PDS fell 1-0 to Gill St. Bernard's last Monday. PDS goalie Matt Raborn made 10 saves as the Panthers dropped to 5-8-1 on the season. PDS plays at Blair Academy on October 15 before hosting Hamilton on October 17.

Girls Tennis: PDS didn't drop a set on the day as it topped Stuart Country Day 5-0 last Friday to improve to 7-2. In upcoming action, the Panthers have a match at Pennington on October 15 before hosting Rutgers Prep on October 17 and then starting play in the state Prep B tournament on October 19.

Lawrenceville

Football: Scoring 14 points in the fourth quarter, Lawrenceville pulled out a 21-14 win at Peddie last Saturday. The Big Red got a 22-yard touchdown reception from Devon Batiz and a 52-yard interception return by Josh Haywood to account for their late scores. Lawrenceville, now 3-2, hosts Blair Academy on October 18.

Field Hockey: Lindsay Becker's goal gave Lawrenceville a 1-1 tie at Peddie last Saturday. The Big Red, who moved to 8-1-1 with the tie, host Episcopal Academy on October 17 and Blair Academy on October 18 before playing at Robinsville on October 21.

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FRESH APPROACH: Princeton High freshman second doubles player Keely Herring prepares to hit the ball in recent action. Last Friday, Herring and partner Rachel Bergman posted a straight-set victory in helping PHS top Jackson Liberty 5-0 in the Central Jersey Group III sectional tournament. The second-seeded Little Tigers, now 11-0, were slated to host No. 3 Holmdel in the sectional semifinals on October 14 with the winner advancing to the finals on October 16.

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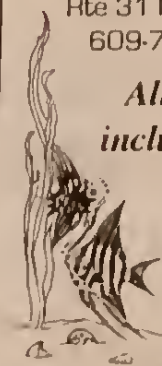
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Those interested in participating can register at the Hun School track at 9 a.m. with the event to start at 9:45 a.m. The course begins and ends at the track and winds through the surrounding neighborhood. The entry fee is \$25. There are post-race snacks and drinks for all participants with race t-shirts available while supplies last.

The event was initiated by the school to celebrate the life of the late Kate Gorrie, a beloved Hun student who was dedicated to making a difference in the lives of those around her. All proceeds from the race will benefit The Katherine Gorrie '98 Memorial Scholarship Fund.

For more information, please contact Lauren Rankin by phone at (609) 921-7603 or via e-mail at LRankin@hunschool.org.

PAWS Youth Wrestling Accepting Registration

The Princeton Recreation Department is now accepting registration for the Princeton Amateur Wrestling Society (PAWS) and Tiger Cubs Youth Wrestling programs.

The PAWS program is a combination of instruction and match competition that takes place at Jadwin Gymnasium at Princeton University. Practice takes place two nights per week as well on some Saturdays early in the season.

PAWS is open to boys and girls in grades 3-8. The program is open to interested participants of all skill levels and beginners are welcome.

The Tiger Cubs program is an introductory wrestling program for kids in grades K - 2. The program will meet on Saturday mornings

beginning November 15 at Jadwin Gym. The coaching staff will emphasize the importance of stretching, physical fitness and following instructions.

One wrestling concept will be introduced each week. Competition will be de-emphasized in the Tiger Cubs program.

Registration forms are available at the Princeton Recreation Dept. or from the departments website: www.princetonrecreation.com. For more information please contact the Princeton Recreation Department at (609) 921-9480 or by e-mail at stentz@princeton-township.nj.us.

Mercer Masters Rowing Offers Learn to Row Program

The Mercer Masters Rowing Program, sponsored by the Princeton National Rowing Association (PNRA), is offering adults the opportunity to participate in its fall Learn to Row program.

The sport of rowing is one of the premier forms of exercise; some of the benefits

include cardiovascular and aerobic fitness, weight loss, and strength training while generating very little impact on the joints.

Upon completion of the Learn to Row program, participants will have the option of pursuing the sport with the Mercer Masters in either a recreational or competitive capacity.

The Learn to Row program will consist of seven 2 hour sessions held weekends in October and November. The cost of the program is \$250. For more information on the Learn to Row program or rowing opportunities for experienced adult rowers, log onto www.rowpnra.org or contact mas ters@rowpnra.org.

Central Jersey Future Stars Holding Hoops Clinics

The coach of Central Jersey Future Stars, Keith Jones, is conducting basketball skills clinics to help players prepare for their upcoming travel and school team tryouts.

The program, which is

open to boys and girls in grades 5-8, will include five sessions on Monday evenings from October 20 through November 17. All sessions will run from 7-9 p.m. at the Stuart Country Day School gym.

The fee for the full program is \$125. One can register by going to www.cjfuturestars.com for forms and contact information, or by calling (609)213-7684.

Dillon Youth Hoops Sign-Up Underway

The Dillon Youth Basketball League is currently accepting registrations from those interested in playing in the program this winter.

The league, which is now in its 39th straight year, is open to boys and girls in grades 4-9 who live in Princeton or nonresidents who go to school in Princeton.

Dillon Basketball is a cooperative effort between the Princeton Recreation Department and Princeton University. All of the volunteer coaches in the program are Princeton students and the games are held at the Dillon Gym on the school's campus.

Each team practices one night per week at John Witherspoon School and plays one Saturday game per week at Dillon Gym. The registration deadline is November 14.

For registration forms and more information, log onto the Rec Department website at www.princetonrecreation.com or contact Ben Stentz via phone at (609) 921-9480 or via e-mail at stentz@princeton-township.nj.us.

Central Jersey Select Lax Holding Tryouts

Central Jersey Select Lacrosse, an elite lacrosse program sponsored by the Bobby Campbell Foundation, is holding tryouts for its Summer 2009 league on October 19 and November 2 for high school girls (grades 9-11) from 1-2:30 p.m., and for middle school girls (grades 6-8) from 2:30-4 p.m. at Stuart Country Day School, 1200 Stuart Road, Princeton.

Athletes must arrive 30 minutes prior to tryout and

must bring a water bottle and a \$20 registration check made payable to "Central Jersey Select 2009 Summer Tryouts."

Central Jersey Select was formed to provide youth lacrosse players with a competitive team environment in which they can continue to develop and showcase their lacrosse skills. There will be approximately 12 to 15 practice sessions in June and July and participation in five weekend tournaments including Lax for the Cure, Club Championship, and National Draw.

For more information, contact Central Jersey Select at centraljerseyselect@comcast.net or (609) 737-8085, or visit www.campbelllacrosse.org.

Tryout cancellations due to weather will be posted on the website or one can call the hotline at (609) 737-8509.

Rec Department Holding Travel Hoops Tryouts

The Princeton Recreation Department will host travel basketball tryouts during the week of October 27.

All tryouts will be at Princeton High School from 7 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Each age group will have one tryout session. The tryouts are open to Princeton residents and in some cases nonresidents that attend school in Princeton.

The schedule for the tryouts that week is as follows: October 27-Under-11 boys and Under-11 girls; October 28- Under-12 boys and Under-12 girls; October 29- Under-13 boys and Under-13 girls; and October 30-Under-14 boys and Under-14 girls.

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Obituaries

Memorial Service For Doris Shapiro
A memorial service for Doris Shapiro, who died October 1 in Florida, will be held on Saturday, November 22 at The Nassau Inn.

Christopher R. Rodgers

Christopher Raymond Perry (Knobby) Rodgers of Gulf Stream, Fla., formerly of Princeton, died October 7 at his summer home in Brooklin, Maine. He was 87.

The son of Raymond P. and Alice A. (Meyer) Rodgers, he graduated from St. George's School in Newport, R.I. and from Princeton University with the Class of 1942. He served in the United States Navy during World War II, overseeing radar operations on the aircraft carrier San Jacinto in the South Pacific, after which he returned to Princeton, where he made his home for many years. His entire career was spent at Citibank, from which he retired as a vice president after 35 years of service.

A skilled athlete, he was a goalie on the 1948 U.S. Olympic Hockey Team and played for many years with the St. Nick's Hockey Club. Dedicated to the game of golf, he was a founding member of the Bedens Brook Club in Skillman and a former member of Pine Valley Golf Club. He also served as president of the Gulf Stream Golf Club in Florida and was a member of the United States Seniors' Golf Association.

He was a generous supporter of many charities, especially those associated with veterans, and served on the vestries of Trinity Church in Princeton and Trinity Church in New York.

He was predeceased by his sisters, Alicia and Virginia; three wives, the former Charlotte Hundley, Mary Pardee, and Katharine Parson; and a stepson, Ario. He is survived by 10 children, Perry Rodgers of Hopewell, Emily Rodgers of Bucksport, Maine, Mary Elizabeth Alexander of New York, James Rodgers of Phoenix, Md., Sam Rodgers of Leverett, Mass., Sally Smith of Exeter, N.H., Alice Celestino of Sarasota, Fla., Virginia Hoyt of Lake Placid, N.Y., John Rodgers of Sweden,

and Julie Alpert of Naples, Fla.; two stepchildren, Arrel Lindermann of Boston and Ann Parson of South Dartmouth, Mass.; 30 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Burial will be private. A memorial service is planned for January in Gulf Stream.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Francis by the Sea Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 76, Blue Hill, Maine 04614; or to St. Paul Episcopal Church, 188 South Swinton Avenue, Delray Beach, Fla. 33444.

Christian H. Aall

Christian H. Aall, 95, formerly of Princeton, died October 5 in Honolulu, Hawaii. For more than 25 years, he and his wife lived half the year in Honolulu, and half the year in Combloux in the French Alps.

Born in Oslo, Norway, he received his Ph.D. in chemical engineering from the University of Grenoble in France. He served in the Royal Norwegian Army in the Resistance Movement and then in England. While at Grenoble, he was the French student ski champion four years in a row, also winning the French jumping championship in Montgenèvre in 1933.

He moved to the United States in 1947 with his family to join Monsanto Chemical Co. in Anniston, Ala. He held executive positions at Monsanto and later at American Metals Climax in New York City. On his retirement, travel, mountain climbing, and collecting Hawaiian stamps and English cow creamers, introduced to him by P.G. Wodehouse, became his passions. His 70th birthday present to himself was to climb the 21,247-foot Mount Mera in the Himalayas and on his 80th birthday he reached the summit of Mont Blanc, having done it twice previously. In 1990, he published his autobiography, *Footprints in the Sand*.

His first wife, Ruth B. Perkins of Princeton, survives him. His second wife, Sally Sample Ely Aall, predeceased him. He is survived also by his four children, Cecilia Mathews of Skillman, Mea Kaemmerlen of Plainsboro, Pamela McPherson of Washington, D.C., and Christian Aall of Deer Mountain, Utah; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.



Gloria P. Mack

Gloria Pessel Mack, 84, of Montgomery Township, died October 12 at Stonebridge at Montgomery.

Born in Adrian, Michigan, she lived in the Hopewell, Rocky Hill, and Montgomery Township area most of her life. She helped establish the Mary Jacobs Memorial Library and was employed there for more than 30 years until her retirement at age 81. She was a member of the First Reformed Church of Rocky Hill.

A loving and beloved member of her family and community, she was an avid reader and a plant and bird enthusiast who had a soft spot in her heart for all animals, large and small.

The wife of the late John Mack and grandmother of the late Lara Bunce, who died in June, she is survived by four daughters, Margaret Mason of Los Angeles, Frances Merritt of Lawrenceville, Kathleen Mack of Foster, R.I., and Jennifer Bunce of Hampton,

N.H.; two brothers, Thomas Pessel and William Pessel; five grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

The funeral will be this Saturday, October 18 at 11 a.m. at the First Reformed Church of Rocky Hill, on Route S18 at Washington Street. Burial will be in Rocky Hill Cemetery on Montgomery Avenue. A reception for friends and family will follow immediately at Stonebridge at Montgomery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Mary Jacobs Memorial Library, 64 Washington Street, Rocky Hill 08553; or to the Winnacunnet High School Fund f/b/o Lara Bunce Scholarship Fund, Alumni Drive, Hampton, N.H. 03842.

Helen J. Falvey

Helen Jane Falvey, 89, of Princeton, died peacefully October 13 at home.

Born in Ossining, N.Y., she resided in Ossining until 1948, when she and her late husband, Patrick Falvey, moved to Connecticut. In 1958, Mr. and Mrs. Falvey and their children, Susan and Peter, moved to Newtown, Conn., which became Mrs. Falvey's home for over 40 years. Four years ago, she moved to New Jersey to live closer to her son and daughter.

She had many interesting jobs throughout her lifetime. In the 1930s and '40s she worked in New York City for the jewelry designer and craftsman Francisco Rebajes at his stores in Greenwich Village and on Fifth Avenue.

Mr. Rebajes and his wife, Pauline, remained her lifelong friends. While living in Newtown, she worked at The Connecticut Shop, Molly's Flower Shop, and Mrs. Anderson's Food Store, and was a personal secretary for a local resident. She also kept property records for George Cladis, who owned the property where the Falveys lived. Mr. and Mrs. Cladis and Mrs. Falvey also formed a lifelong friendship. For more than 20 years, she worked for Dr. Lawrence Daum, a dentist in Newtown, and in her later years, for another dentist, Dr. Steven Landen.

She loved life and was always joyful. She always noticed beauty around her and took pleasure in the simple things in life. She was also very creative, her creativity reflected in her charming home in Newtown.

Daughter of the late John and Margaret McCall Hoar, wife of the late Patrick Falvey, and sister of the late Mary McCue, Margaret Meader, Agnes Henning, and John Hoar, she is survived by her children, Susan Johnson of Princeton and Peter Falvey of Lawrenceville; two grandchildren; and her beloved friends Tom Quinn of Poughkeepsie, N.Y. and the Orlowski sisters, formerly of Newtown.

A memorial service will be held at St. Rose of Lima Church, 46 Church Hill Road, Newtown, Conn. 06470 on Saturday, October 25 at 11:30 a.m.

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Benjamin R Stewart

Benjamin R. Stewart 85, of Forked River, for nerly of Kingston, died October 11 of congestive heart failure, peacefully at home.

Born in Princeton Hospital, he grew up in Kingston. He was the owner and operator of Kingston Garage, Inc. for over 40 years, retiring in June 1985.

A World War II veteran, he served in the South Pacific.

He was a 60-year member of the Princeton Masonic Lodge No. 38 in Princeton and a member of the Kingston Volunteer Fire Company for 55 years. He was an avid fisherman.

He was the loving husband of Elizabeth (Thea) Stewart of Forked River. He is survived by a son, Richard W. Stewart of Kingston; a sister, Evelyn Barnes of Hampton, N.J.; and two grandsons.

A graveside service will be held at Princeton Cemetery

this Saturday, October 18 at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Southern Ocean County Hospice.

Alan R. Goldberg

Alan R. Goldberg, 58, of Montgomery Township, died October 9 at home.

Born in Lakewood, he resided most his life in the Princeton area. He was a computer administrator for Princeton University where he had been employed since 1976.

He was a member and past chief of East Windsor Township Rescue Squad from 1978 until 1999, and a member of the Montgomery Rescue Squad since 2000. He was also a member of the New Jersey Audubon Society and a volunteer for Skywarn weather service.

Son of the late Robert and Jean (Simon) Goldberg, he is survived by his wife, Laurie Larson; two sons, David and Todd; a daughter, Heather Goldberg; and a granddaughter.

The funeral service was October 11 at the Mather-Hodge Funeral Home. Burial was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to Montgomery Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 105, Belle Mead 08502; or to the East Windsor Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 30, Hightstown 08520.

Helen Pesta

Helen Pesta, 86, of Princeton, died October 7 in the Merwick Care Center in Princeton.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she resided in the Greenpoint sec-

tion of Brooklyn before moving to Princeton in 1963. She retired in 1962 with over 25 years of service as a bridal dress maker/designer with Fink Brothers Inc. in New York City.

She was a communicant of St. Paul's Church.

Daughter of the late Victor and Michelina Wawrzycki, she is survived by her husband of 58 years, Edmund Pesta, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was October 10



LAMP MANAGERS: Princetonians Jim and Nancy Amick have been "lamp managers" at the Hospital Rummage Sale for 15 years. Jim repairs any that need fixing before the sale, which took place last weekend in the parking garage at the Medical Center.

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Religion

The Jewish Family & Children's Service will host a talk by Dr. Jill Schwartz-Chevin on Thursday, October

16 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Meadow Lakes Community, 300 Meadow Lakes, East Windsor. The Aging in Place program is free to seniors.

Dr. Schwartz-Chevin is president and owner of Princeton Home and Primary Care PC, which specializes in house calls for home-limited elderly patients in the Princeton and surrounding areas. She is board certified in internal medicine and has a special interest in geriatric medicine.

For reservations, call Linda Meyer, AIP Program Coordinator, at (609) 987-8100 by October 10.

St. Paul's Church, located at 214 Nassau Street, is holding an American Guild of Organists concert celebrating the International Year of the Organ with recitalist Justin Hartz on Sunday, October 19, at 3 p.m. Works will include Bach, Mendelssohn, Charles Ives, Vierne, and a work commissioned for this event written by Stephen Paulus. Admission is free and the concert is open to the public. For more information, please call St. Paul Church at (609) 921-7587.

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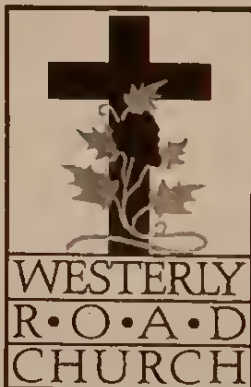
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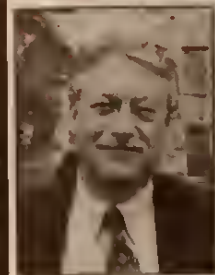
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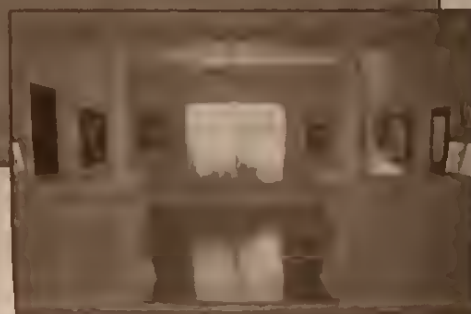
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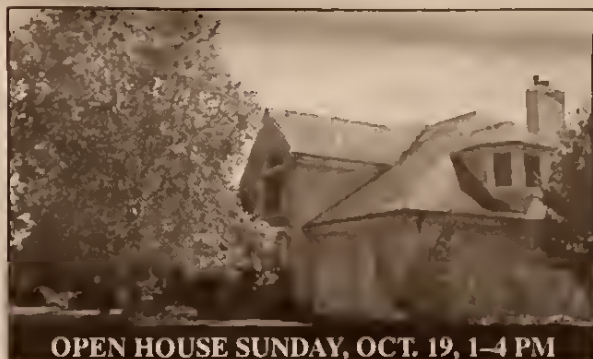
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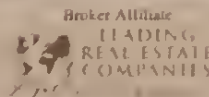
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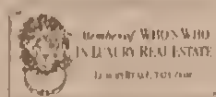
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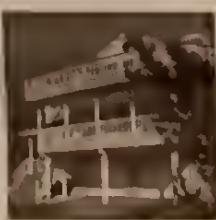
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In the midst of a national economic catastrophe, lots and lots of people are either heading for or staying home. Those faraway places — so inviting and beguiling — will have to stay faraway for the time being.

So — all the more reason to make home and hearth as appealing and comfortable as possible. As Skillman architect Andrew Sheldon, points out: "I think there is a natural inclination toward 'nesting' when the economy takes a turn for the worse. I have noticed many people wanting to nest, in other words, make their home as warm, comfortable, and distinctive as possible. They

want to make what they have the best it can be."

Adds Doug Raynor of Raynor Woodworking in Robbinsville: "People want to have comfort in their homes, especially now. It's like a nest. They're willing to spend a little more, even when money is tight. They're looking for value and quality."

And it all begins at the entrance, agree the experts. "One of the most important aspects of your home is the entrance, starting with your front walk, front stoop, front door, door hardware, and entry hall," explains Catherine Knight of Knight Architects in Princeton. She

describes the front door of a recent Princeton house designed by her firm. "This home has a welcoming front door. It has been recessed to provide cover from rain and snow. The wrought iron handrail is beautiful as well as functional, and the custom mahogany door unit lets in plenty of light and uses insulated low e glass for a high energy savings rating. In contrast, many older door units have single glazed side lights, and are a major source of heat loss."

Front Door

Certainly, the front door of a house says volumes about its style and the taste

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ELEGANT ENTRY: This renovated foyer, by Knight Architects, features a new mahogany front door unit and new front stair with wrought iron balusters and oak handrail. The painted wood paneled wainscoting and iron chandelier add to the elegant style.

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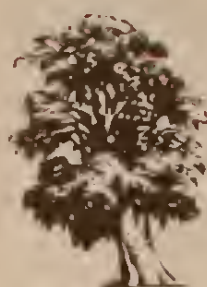
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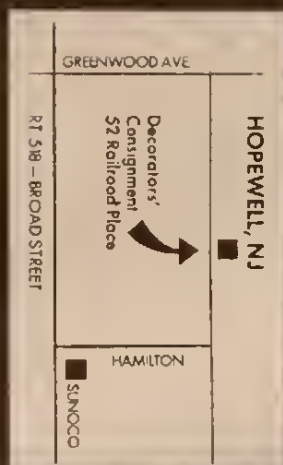
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of its occupants. "Your door is a first impression with its clean, painted finish, warm natural wood, or open glass panels," notes Judie Nemeth of Judie Nemeth Interiors in Lawrenceville. "Its weight and substance are a sign of the style that awaits beyond. When painted black or dark forest green with a small smooth doorknob, it conveys simplicity and solidity.

"I prefer a door unadorned — with attractive plantings and a well-lit stone pathway leading up to it," she continues. "A colorful floral plant, or grasses in an urn to the side, provide natural decoration and can be changed with the seasons."

Deborah Leamann of Deborah Leamann Interiors in Pennington points out the difference entry ways can make to a home's aura and atmosphere. "They are so important from many perspectives. Curb appeal makes a welcoming statement about who you are."

She also notes the positive effect a new front door can have on the overall look of the house. In a recent project, it began with a foyer renovation that quickly segued to the front door. As Ms. Leamann says, "The client complained about the old marble floor being cracked and stained, and wanted to replace it. My advice was, 'That's great, but you need more than just a new floor.' As it turned out, we replaced the front door with a pair of double French doors with side lights to allow more light in."

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JUDIE NEMETH INTERIORS: A glass enclosed addition with slate floor and old brick exterior wall creates a charming entrance to this greenhouse cottage.

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Who would have thought that a front door — its basic purpose is functional, after all — could mean so much!

As Andrew Sheldon emphasizes, "You only get one chance to make a first impression. People are looking for ways to differentiate themselves and their house, to make a statement. The front door is definitely a first place to do this. When working with a client on the front door, I always recommend that the style should be cohesive with the rest of the house. There are many ways to make a statement without veering from the architectural integrity of the house. For example, the trim details, the steps leading up to the door, the shape of an overhang, the door color or hardware ... these can all be very unique and memorable yet maintain a home's unified style."

Pivotal Part

In some cases, a front door can be more than just a door, he adds. "As part of a new seaside home, I designed a wide front porch as a gathering spot for the family and friends when they come from the beach. This entrance became more than a front door; it became a pivotal part of the home."

Choices of front doors — style, structure, materials — are in abundance, reports Doug Raynor. "There are some very high quality wood doors, and many species are used today, including mahogany and cherry. These are high-end, long-

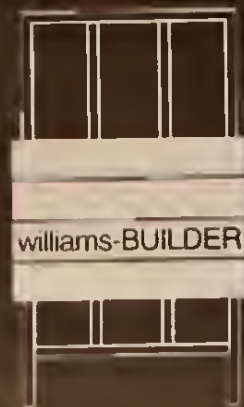
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NEW PORTICO: Andrew Sheldon designed this portico to add interest while maintaining architectural integrity.

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lasting woods, and the new finishes are much better now, too.

"Wood is definitely the choice for doors today," he continues. "People have moved away from steel doors, which had been sold as maintenance-free doors in the past."

Styles of doors vary, he notes. "They have been a bit more formal lately, and also bigger, heavier, and wider than the typical 6-foot by 8-foot standard size. We do a lot of natural finishes, and the painted doors tend to be darker, traditional colors. People want them to complement the look of the house."

Hardware makes a statement, too, he adds. "There

are many hardware options, including hinges, locksets, and knockers. They all used to be brass, but now, in addition, there's nickel, pewter, and iron hardware, and in many styles.

"Doors are so important. They are the first thing you touch and feel. There is nothing like the feel of a solid wood quality door."

Bird's Nest

Adorning the door is popular with many homeowners, with wreaths being the most popular choice. Seasonal wreaths are typical, especially during the Christmas holidays, but they are also often seen at Halloween and Thanksgiving as well.

In addition, some people like to have year-round wreaths, points out Deborah Leamann. "I like fresh

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greens or wreaths of dried materials. That can be a wonderful decoration. One of my clients has a year-round wreath of dried greens on the door, and a little bird made a nest in it. Before you knew it, there was a family of baby birds. Now, that was special!"

Another aspect of the entrance to the house is lighting. Landscape lighting along the walkway, including path lights and spot lights, are an attractive — and safe — addition.

"These are very popular now," says Nancy Whitlock of Hesco Lighting Showrooms in Princeton. "There are energy-efficient low voltage systems with many sizes and types. People have a concern for the environment, and are looking for ways to save energy."

Post lanterns continue to be popular at the end of

the driveway, she adds, and front door lights are most typically wall-mounted, which is true of the garage too.

"There are many styles, from traditional to contemporary, and bronze finishes are favorites today. So many different bronzes are available, including auburn (copper) and anchored bronze (more chocolatey), all with faux finishes. Bronze is especially popular because it doesn't deteriorate as much over time."

Warmer Light

Coordinated lighting appeals to many homeowners now, says Ms. Whitlock. "There is a 'family' or collection of fixtures, with seven or eight sizes in each 'family' for front door and garage. They complement each other for a complete and coordinated look."

For a more formal appearance, especially in the case of a very large house, "Overhanging lights are favored,

particularly when there is a portico. Also, a trend I see today in outdoor lighting is more fixtures with textured glass to hide the fluorescent bulbs. There is less glare, and it gives a warmer light. Frosty white and soft amber are popular."

The entry way — depending on the size — can serve more than one purpose. Certainly, it is the entrance to the interior of the house, but it can also serve as a gathering point for guests, a place for conversation, or to introduce visitors to one another.

Deborah Leamann likes to give clients a sampling of ingredients for a successful foyer/entry.

• "Wallpaper lends immediate personality to a space. It is the 'wow' factor — for example, big print with lots of color — or with subtle designs like grass cloth or damask. It can also be a backdrop to

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- other design elements.
- "Stair runners, area rugs, lend softness and safety.
 - "Lighting, seating, mirrors, umbrella stands, table and coat storage (let's not forget function), can be beautiful appointments.
 - "Plants, flowers, and great art bring in color and a caring environment."

Recent Project

Ms. Leamann also points out that foyers today offer many opportunities to reflect individuality and the style of the homeowner. She describes a recent project in which the foyer was completely renovated.

"We put in hardwood with a herringbone design, new carpet on the stairs, and wallpaper. It's traditional and beautiful. 150 family photos chronologically

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hang on the walls winding up the staircase. All the tones are warm and soft, with accents of taupe, beige, bronze, and browns. We also re-upholstered an antique chaise that belonged to the owner's grandmother and showcased it in the entry. It finally found a home after being shuffled from room to room over the years."

"The entry is the transition between the world and your personal space," notes Judie Nemeth. "It can serve as an invitation to visitors, the passageway into your home. We pass through quickly, making it important to design them efficiently and with a sense of harmony to what lies ahead. A coat closet with hooks and baskets tucked inside for um-

brella, keys, and hats can be a handy drop-off point. Or a chest of drawers or a small buffet with a mirror for last minute beauty checks. Switches and lamps must be conveniently located."

Taking the homeowner's life-style into account is important for a designer or architect, notes Andrew Sheldon. "I love innovation and modern styles, but I find that the best entrances are truly those that reflect the way in which the owner lives, and those that fit with the style of the home. A busy family requires a different type of entrance than a retired couple. A modern home requires a different style entrance than a traditional Edwardian."

The specific needs of the homeowner were evidenced in a design he just finished

in Washington, D.C. "This was an addition to a beautiful old Colonial, which included a new side entrance that the family would use every day. Located in the city, the property didn't allow for an expansive mudroom. Yet the client has two little boys and a puppy, so the small entrance way needed to include storage for shoes, coats, dog leashes, baseball equipment, and backpacks."

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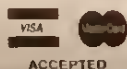
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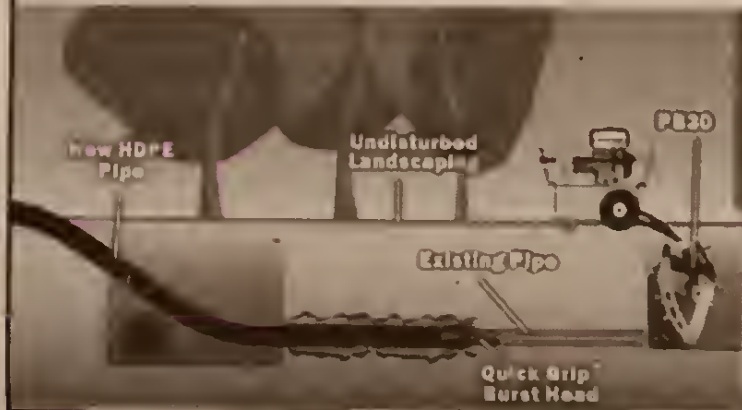
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Built-in Cabinetry

There has been a trend toward making the entry way more welcoming — and functional, adds Doug Raynor. "Built-in cabinetry to store items, such as gloves and hats, is becoming popular. It's sort of new, but in a way, it's revisiting grandma's old hat rack in the corner when you come into the house."

"Often, clients like to integrate cabinetry with the trim detail of the foyer," he continues. "For example, with painted trim, you use painted cabinetry."

Foyers have different floors, he notes, with wood, tile, and marble especially popular today.

Adds Judie Nemeth: "Of

course, floor covering must be durable to the outside elements. The use of slate with a sisal rug, or wood with a patterned Oriental are easy maintenance and a natural transition from the outdoors. Consider a colored concrete floor and Tibetan carpet for a contemporary style. Add a sculptural chair or bench and beautiful artwork. A successful entryway will establish peace and comfort as one steps inside, and offer balance and energy as you pass through to leave."

Catherine Knight points out that in a recent house she designed, she incorporated a "cozy reading nook in the entry way near the staircase. The front hall was painted wood-paneled wainscoting with warm yellow paint above. There are tran-

som windows over the paneled doors, and the floors are American cherry."

More Dramatic

Judie Nemeth notes that, "The space becomes more dramatic with architectural features of windows, a balcony, or grand stairway. But without those, interest can be created with a faux finish or linen-covered walls, ceiling, or freshly-painted wood panels. I also love to hang lanterns inside or mount them as wall sconces. Or simple contemporary ceiling lights keep a space bright and airy. Sculpture, black and white photos, flowers, or large urns with greenery can be accented with tiny halogens."

Certainly, lighting in the foyer, as elsewhere in the

house, is both functional and aesthetic. There are many considerations — and choices — points out Nancy Whitlock.

"The big houses of today with their high ceilings call for a very big decorative 3-foot by 3-foot fixture — a chandelier with at least 15 lights is not unusual. These chandeliers can range from simple to elaborate styles. Crystal, Country French with faux finishes are popular, and also pewter and bronze.

"In smaller homes, standard 8- or 9-foot ceilings use a surface mounted fixture. Sconces can also be very nice in a foyer in addition to a ceiling light," she adds. "Again, the 'family'

of fixtures is very popular, including matching sconces, ceiling lights, mini chandeliers, dining room chandeliers, and over-sized foyer chandeliers — all to give a coordinated look."

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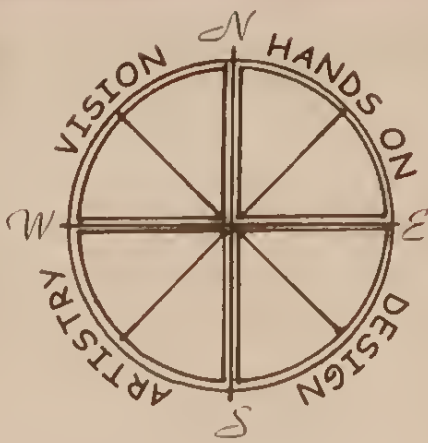
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"This is going to be one of the most unusual fireplace seasons in memory, primarily resulting from the major surge in oil prices earlier this year," notes Gary Bowden, owner of Bowden's Fireside & Hearth in Hamilton. "As a result, homeowners, as well as retailers around the country, particularly in the northeast, began to order high-efficiency stoves and fireplace inserts in unprecedented quantities. We have been inundated with requests, and have had several customers gladly driving down from New England to buy our products."

Diane Golomb, store manager of Patio World Fireplace & Hearth in Lawrenceville agrees that there is an increase in sales of all types of fireplace and stove heating units, from gas logs of all kinds to wood-burning stove inserts for fireplaces to classic wood stoves. "Our fully-vented gas logs continue to be popular," she reports. "They are so convenient and work with just a switch. No problem with getting the wood, starting the fire, and dealing with the ashes. They are not expensive to burn, provide a very nice atmosphere, and come in many styles of wood. Charred American oak is especially popular now."

"We recommend using glass doors with the fully-vented system, as they help to keep the heat in the room. Many styles of glass doors are available from such companies as Portland Wil-

lemite, Toll, and Diamond Up, and they are a very important means of keeping warmth in the room for any fireplace," she notes.

Gary Bowden points out the advantage of the vent-free gas log system. "Even though gas is being consumed, it is consumed in minimal quantities, and virtually all the heat that is generated is directed in the house, other than being vented up the chimney. These units are safe, attractive, and very efficient."

Alternative Heating

Ms. Golomb explains that the benefits of a wood-burning insert system placed in an existing fireplace are extensive. This has a stove-front appearance, uses fans to direct heat into the room, and is becoming especially popular this year. People are definitely interested in alternative heating today."

Mr. Bowden adds that a fan circulator used in conjunction with a wood-burning fire is also effective. "This system extracts a lot of heat, up to 40,000 btu's per hour (that is quite a bit) from a burning wood fire built in a masonry fireplace. And in conjunction with certain types of glass doors, this is more affordable than a wood stove or insert. We have these circulators in stock and expect to be able to offer them throughout the entire heating season."

The classic woodstove is another option, and many customers like the fact that it can be used in many different rooms, notes Ms. Golomb. It is also available in a variety of styles, including classic black and several colors in enamel.

"Some customers like them to match the decor of their

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Fireplaces

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home," she adds. "Lexington Forge and Vermont Castings are very popular lines."

"Refacing" Product

Since the economy is in serious distress, many homeowners are focusing on function, but aesthetics can still play a part, says Mr. Bowden. "Those who are more interested in the aesthetics of their fireplace are excited about a new type of 'Refacing' product that we have just begun to offer. This product allows homeowners to have a solution to the problem of a boring pre-fabricated fireplace facing that does nothing to enhance the decorative element of a room."

"Finally, after years of prodding a couple of the better manufacturers we work with, there are some new products being introduced

that completely transform the appearance of a prefab fireplace. The cost is usually about \$800 to \$1000, but the effect is worth a million dollars, truly!"

"Homeowners can select from a huge number of options, from the style, finish, handle choice, venting styling, etc.," he continues. "A traditional rectangular-shaped fireplace can easily be transformed into a beautiful and distinctive arched shape, often with an interesting 'Arts and Crafts' design that is so popular in furnishing a home these days."

Mantels are another focus for homeowners, and Patio World replaces existing mantels and installs new ones. "We have many different styles, colors, and they are all custom-made," reports Ms. Golomb. "Cherry wood is the most popular, and we have traditional and contem-

porary styles.

"Also, the surround of the fireplace is another important area for customers," she adds. "Marble, granite, and slate are available, with marble currently especially popular, because of the choices of colors offered."

Both Patio World and Bowden's carry a variety of fireplace accessories, including screens, tool sets, hearth rugs, chimney liners and caps, firestarters, bellows, etc.

For those with a traditional wood-burning fireplace, the experts offer an important tip: don't forget to have a professional come in for an annual inspection and chimney cleaning, if necessary. This advice also applies to homeowners with gas log systems. These need a check-up too.

—Jean Stratton



SPACE AND STYLE: Princeton architect Maximilian Hayden designed this elegant light filled addition.

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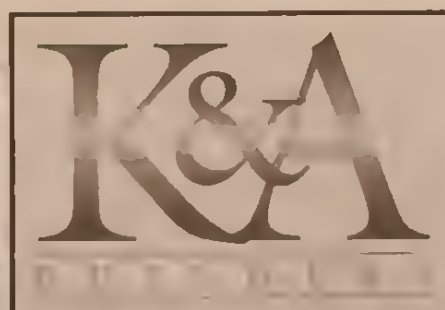
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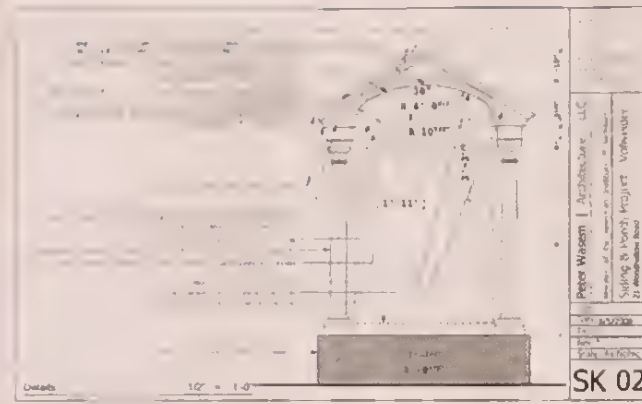
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